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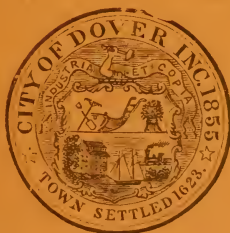
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DOVER, February 9, 1884

J. B. STEVRNS, JR., City Clerk:

You are hereby directed to place the manuscript of the City Accounts in the office of Libbey & Scales, provided said firm binds itself to deliver same on or before March 20, 1884.

ISAAC L. LUCAS,	} Joint Standing Committee on Printing.
CHAS. T. MOULTON,	
NATHANIEL HORN.	

CITY GOVERNMENT, 1884.

JAMES E. LOTHROP, residence American House ; office hours,
10 to 12 A. M.—Mayor.

JOHN C. PRAY, residence Fourth Street, near Grove,—Presi-
dent of Common Council.

J. B. STEVENS, Jr., residence 75 Washington Street,—City
Clerk.

JOSEPH E. PORTER, residence 84 Franklin Street,—Clerk of
Common Council.

ALDERMEN :

Ward 1,—NATHANIEL HORNE,
GEORGE F. NUTE,

Ward 2.—TIMOTHY H. SNELL,
JOHN W. TREFETHEN,

Ward 3.—WILLIAM H. WENTWORTH,
SUMNER W. HATCH,

Ward 4.—ISAAC L. LUCAS,
HENRY E. PERRY,

Ward 5.—PATRICK COSKER,
JOHN F. GORMAN.

COUNCILMEN.

Ward 1.—John C. Pray, Walter F. Gage, William T. Page.

Ward 2.—George H. Bradbury, Charles T. Moulton, Oliver P. Ricker.

Ward 3.—John H. Ingraham, Samuel Hussey, Albert R. Clough.

Ward 4.—Charles H. Foss, Nathaniel Horne, William D. Taylor.

Ward 5.—James McCooey, T. J. Cassily, John McClintock.

ORGANIZATION.—The first Wednesday in January, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

STATED MEETINGS.—The first Thursday in each month, at 7.30 o'clock, P. M.

ORGANIZATION.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

On Elections and Returns.—Horne.

On Enrollment of Bills.—Hatch.

On Bills for Second Reading.—Lucas, Snell, Cosker.

IN COMMON COUNCIL.

On Elections and Returns.—Gage, Horne, Cassily.

On Bills in their Second Reading.—Foss, Hussey, Ricker.

On Engrossed Ordinances and Resolutions.—Page, Clough, Taylor.

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES.

Finance.—Cosker, Page, Clough.

Claims.—Hatch, Foss, Ricker.

School Houses.—Perry, Moulton, Pray.

Cemetery.—Horne, Ingraham, McCooey.

Lands and Buildings.—Snell, Ingraham, McClintock.

Streets, Sewers and Drains.—Wentworth, Page, Bradbury.

Lamps and Lamp Posts.—Trefethen, Bradbury, Cassily.

Printing.—Lucas, Moulton, Horne.

Bridges.—Gorman, Hussey, Horne.

Fire Department.—Nute, Gage, Taylor.

City Farm and House of Correction.—LUCAS, FOSS, MCCOOEY.

Chairman of School Committee,—ALONZO H. QUINT.

Secretary of School Committee,—CHARLES A. FAIRBANKS.

Superintendent of Schools,—CHANNING FOLSOM. Residence, Locust street, near Silver.; office, Bracewell Block ; office hours, 8.15 to 9 A. M. ; 12.30 to 1.30, and 4 to 5 P. M.

Collector of Taxes,—GEORGE P. DEMERITT. Residence, Elm street ; office, City Hall ; office hours, Mondays and Saturdays, 10 A. M. to 12 M., and 7 to 9 P. M. ; Wednesday afternoon 2 to 3, evening 7 to 8 o'clock.

City Marshal,—REUBEN A. LIBBEY.

Assistant Marshal,—JOHN CANNEY.

Chief Engineer,—JOSEPH S. ABBOTT.

Solicitor,—WILLIAM F. NASON.

Treasurer,—FRANKLIN FREEMAN.

Overseer of Poor,—EDMUND M. SWAN.

City Messenger,—GEORGE H. DEMERITT.

Superintendent of Burials,—JOHN F. SHAPLEIGH.

Health Officers,—CHARLES H. HALL, THOMAS PRINTY, ELBRIDGE SMITH.

City Physician.—CHARLES A. FAIRBANKS.

Assessors,—MICAHAH S. HANSCOM, GEORGE G. LOWELL, NATHANIEL C. HOBBS, JAMES H. DAVIS, THOMAS GARVEY, JOHN S. GLASS.

ANNUAL ADDRESS

BY

HIS HONOR, MAYOR LOTHROP.

Gentlemen of the City Councils :

We have been selected by the suffrages of our fellow citizens to administer the municipal government of the city of Dover for the ensuing year. We have taken upon ourselves the responsibilities of our several positions by solemn oath, and I trust we shall fully realize the gravity and importance of the duties we have thereby assumed.

I desire at this time to express my acknowledgments to those who have so flatteringly elected me for a second term, my high appreciation of the confidence it implies, and the honor it confers, and my earnest assurance, that whatever of ability I may possess, shall be devoted to the best interests of the city without fear or partiality.

The affairs of a city can, and in my opinion should, be conducted in a thoroughly businesslike manner. The same principles that guide a successful merchant or manufacturer, will be found applicable in the conduct of city affairs, and the future of any city can be as easily foreseen as that of a business man, by the manner in which it manages and cares for every individual department and interest of its business. There would seem to be a constant lack of appreciation, on the part of very many citizens, of the real elements and necessities of growth and prosperity in our municipality. A city, as surely as a merchant, to attain a position above mediocrity, or to become great and powerful, must use every available and honora-

ble means to that end ; but it must not forget that judgment, wisdom and constant vigilance are just as essential as boldness and energy, and these combined will always insure a steady growth and final greatness. In this view the duties and responsibilities of citizens assume great and important proportions. The people are the real proprietors, and have absolute and complete control and power in all matters pertaining to municipal affairs, and upon them must and will inevitably come the natural results of their conduct and management, and most especially of their action at the polls.

Their clerks and employees are the officers whom they elect, and in whose hands they place their interests, and of whom they require that every department be conducted in the most perfect manner possible for the development and welfare of the city.

When we remember that this involves the finance, the schools, the fire department, the streets and sidewalks, the sewerage, the health, the care of the poor, the cemetery, the police, the promoting of old industries and the introduction of new ones, and that each and all will require much thought, labor and sagacity, we shall only begin to realize the responsibilities which our fellow citizens have imposed upon us. And just here again appear so vividly the pith and vitality of the whole matter that I feel impelled to reaffirm the principle that the great responsibility of ownership and power rests with the people, and they must see to it that all their officers or employees are selected with a view to their fitness, ability and integrity, and that they fulfill all their duties and obligations faithfully. To shirk this responsibility and evade the consequences, is beyond their power. Upon them also devolves the duty and necessity of promoting peace and harmony, avoiding all sectional controversies, discords or wrangles, and cultivating the sentiment that whatever will benefit any portion of their property as a city, must result in good to it as a whole.

One of the fundamental and principal necessities in all

successful business enterprises, is a correct system and proper management of

THE FINANCE,

and I will at this time bring to your notice the present condition of this department of our city as clearly as I may be able.

AVAILABLE ASSETS.

Cash in the Treasury,.....	\$34,267 85
Uncollected Taxes of 1878, '79, '80, '81, less	
abatements and salaries,.....	6,607 86
1882,.....	3,846 41
1883,.....	20,375 79
P. & D. Railroad Bonds at par,.....	6,000 00
P. & D. Railroad Stock at par,.....	258,000 00
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	\$330,097.91

LIABILITIES.

Municipal Bonds maturing in the year	
1879 not presented,.....	\$1,000
1880 not presented,.....	4,500
1881 not presented,.....	4,500
1885.....	10,900
1886.....	10,300
1887.....	10,600
1888.....	11,500
1889.....	10,500
1890.....	120,000
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	\$183,800 00
P. & D. Railroad Bonds maturing in the year	
1893.....	225,000 00
1897.....	33,000 00
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	258.000 00

Total Bonded Debt,.....	441,800 00
Currier Fund,.....	1,000 00
Outstanding bills estimated,.....	500 00
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Gross indebtedness,.....	443,300 00
Less assets,.....	330,097 91
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Net indebtedness,.....	113,202 09

ESTIMATED VALUE OF THE PUBLIC PROPERTY OF THE CITY.

City Hall building above County right, with appurtenances,.....	\$52,800 00
Fire Department property,.....	26,377 00
School House lots and appurtenances,.....	115,000 00
City Farm and Fire Department appurtenances,.....	13,215 00
Lamps and Posts,.....	1,800 00
Cemetery property,.....	3,000 00
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Total,.....	\$212,192 00

The above statement I believe to be correct, and shows a healthy and satisfactory standing.

A sinking fund has been advised by some, and the question is often asked, whether there is not a necessity, or at least an advantage, in establishing such a fund to meet the bonded debt of the city as it matures?

To tax citizens to the amount required annually, to meet that end, and hoard the money, or invest it at the very small income that could be realized with perfect safety, would, in my judgment, be a real sacrifice and entirely unnecessary, especially in view of the fact that the city will own stock of the P. & D. Railroad to the full amount of all the Railroad bonds when they become due, which can be sold, we can reasonably suppose, at enough above par to place in the treasury forty to fifty thousand dollars, which will go far toward liquidating any other debt the city may then owe.

Of course in this matter as in many others, positive knowl-

edge is impossible, but with sound judgment and calculation, we can arrive at probabilities which alone can reasonably guide us in matters of this character.

There is in my mind a question whether the present mode of collecting the taxes is the best that could be devised, but there can be no question but that the qualifications of a collector, and not the salary, are of principal importance to the city of Dover.

I desire to recommend the strictest economy in all appropriations, but I do not mean a parsimony too often observed in cities and individuals, which only indicates a want of comprehension, and insures littleness as the result, but a true economy, which will every year make us larger, richer and more prosperous.

As I remarked last year, I can but regard

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

of every city as of first and greatest importance. I can imagine no terrible calamity which might suddenly befall them, or to which they are so much exposed, as an extensive conflagration, and hence it becomes the first duty of every city government to see that this department is placed and kept in the most perfect condition possible. Beside this necessity for protection against extremely destructive fires, there is also a policy and business view for cities to regard, which is, that the greatest safety against fires reduces the rates of insurance and enhances the value of real estate, and is consequently of great importance. Dover has been wonderfully fortunate the past year, having had no loss whatever, or at least none worthy of mention.

Still this should not be allowed to tempt us to be less watchful or guarded. Our present fire department I believe to be very ably managed and to have a most satisfactory corps of officers and men ; but I feel strongly impressed that for proper safety we require, and should have, another first-class steam fire engine, unless the old No. 1 engine is much more valuable

and reliable than it is reported to be. This matter should receive your earliest attention and prompt action, since any delay might result in sudden and great loss to the city.

In reference to our

STREETS AND HIGHWAYS

I believe there is no city of similar size in New England or elsewhere, where they are kept in better condition or more carefully and economically managed. And especially are our sidewalks kept more clear of snow and ice and more thoroughly sanded than those of any other city within my knowledge.

The great extent of country roads, including twenty-three districts, must of course involve considerable expense ; but no city will become poorer for spending whatever money may be required to keep all her highways in first-class condition, and it should not be forgotten that when once made really good, far less appropriation is required to keep them so ; and that the reputation of the city and the value of property is greatly enhanced thereby. The report of the Superintendent will afford you such particular information as you may require.

The largest appropriation required for any single department of our city is that of the

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Their management and the fixing of the amount to be raised for their support, do not come wholly within our sphere, but it is our plain duty to see that they are properly and liberally supported and maintained.

A city can make no appropriation of money more profitably than for the education of the young, and if you will show me the schoolhouses and churches of any city I will tell you of its refinement, industry and prosperity.

I believe that our citizens may justly feel proud of the superiority and excellence of their schools, and I feel sure they will sustain us most heartily in doing all that may be necessary

to retain their present standing and efficiency. Some \$1,325 realized from the sale of the St. Thomas Street School House and lot, was appropriated toward building a school house at Sawyer Mills, and it would seem highly proper that early action be taken toward the completion of this building, for which the demand seems imperative.

The subject of

HEALTH

is one of prime importance to every community and every citizen, and all practical means to promote health and prevent disease should receive our earnest and hearty support—and we should see that all rules and regulations necessary to this end are adopted and rigidly enforced.

It is now well understood that typhoid and scarlet fevers, diphtheria and other kindred diseases, are the result of poisons in the air we breathe, or the water we drink, and that these poisons result from want of cleanliness of sewers, sinks, cellars, vaults, etc.; and in view of these facts, duty becomes plain, and any neglect or delay on our part, grossly culpable and dangerous.

CEMETERY.

For our Cemetery I again ask an appropriation somewhat larger than has usually been made. I feel that the last resting place of our loved and honored dead should be made and kept most attractive and pleasant, and that, aside from duty and affection, which should certainly be entirely sufficient, the best interests and honor of our city positively require it.

There can be no doubt but that the efficiency of the

POLICE DEPARTMENT

is of great and commanding importance to every city, since to a great extent the public order and the protection of life and property depend upon it. The great necessity of able and

faithful officers in every branch of this service is therefore apparent, and should not be overlooked or underestimated.

There can be no doubt that it is just and right and humane, to assist all who really need help, of

OUR CITY'S POOR,

but it is just as certain that close discrimination is required to decide what should be done in each individual case. It is certainly advisable to make as few paupers as possible, for many reasons, and therefore where temporary aid may enable the needy parties to start again and retain their feelings of independence, it is most desirable; but where entire support is required of the city, it would seem clear that the "Farm" affords the best and most economical home. The buildings are safe, pleasant and healthy, and the general conditions are certainly better than in the homes of very many of the poorer classes in the large cities.

The report of the Overseer of the Poor will give you a very correct idea of the condition of this department, and the requirements for the coming year.

I desire to say a word relative to one element with which cities have to contend, which frequently results in serious loss and great annoyance, and that is

LAW SUITS.

It is true we have a City Solicitor, of whom is reasonably expected all legal information and service by way of prosecution and defence and frequent advice, but over and above this, there is a duty and responsibility resting upon us in all such cases, which require great wisdom, sagacity and determination. We should see to it that all equitable claims against the city are settled without objection or unnecessary delay, while all attempts to overreach or defraud should be resisted to the last extremity. If such a course is practiced firmly and sagaciously for a time, much of the litigation now so common

will in my judgment cease to exist. The report of our City Solicitor will show a record on the part of the City for the past year which I deem exceedingly satisfactory.

During the past year a new Department has been added to our city, the advantages of which we cannot at this time fully estimate or appreciate, since it is not yet opened to the public. I refer to the

DOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY.

One year ago in my suggestions to the City Councils, I remarked as follows :—"Whatever may have been the sentiments of our citizens in the past, it is my firm conviction that a vigorous policy on our part at this time to establish a Public Library in Dover, would be heartily approved by our constituents, and I trust and believe cordially, liberally and substantially aided by many of our prominent and interested citizens.

Some may entertain the opinion that nothing should be done until some great benefactor shall found and endow such an institution in a magnificent manner, but I submit that if we begin now, on a proper basis, with such means as we can command, we shall have accomplished much, and our opportunities of securing legacies and donations will be far greater than if we neglected so plain a duty, and the donors saw no disposition on our part, and no organized institution to which they could make their gifts or endowments ; and I accordingly recommend that a committee be appointed, with such instructions as may be deemed proper, and that everything be done on our part that can be consistently, to afford our citizens the advantages they are so justly entitled to, and to sustain the reputation of our city for popular education, progress and philanthropy."

At their first regular meeting, the City Councils passed the following resolution :

"RESOLVED, &c.—That a committee be appointed, consisting of the Mayor and one Alderman, with such as the board

of Common Council may join, to consider the recommendation of the Mayor relative to a Public Library, and report to these Councils."

This committee, in the discharge of their duty, met the directors of the Dover Library, and a plan was presented that was deemed equitable and satisfactory, and adopted, and their report was presented to the Councils at their regular meeting, February 1, 1883, and the following resolution was passed unanimously by both branches :

"RESOLVED, &c.—That the provisions of the report on a Public Library are satisfactory, and in the judgment of these Councils ought to be, and hereby are, adopted on the part of the city of Dover. That the sum of twenty-four hundred (2400) dollars is hereby appropriated for the current year's expenses, as set forth in Sec. 1, of the report of the joint special committee on a Public Library, submitted this evening, and that when the terms of Section 6 of report have been complied with, the joint standing committee on Claims shall audit and allow orders on such appropriation in the same manner as against other departments of the City of Dover."

At this point it was deemed advisable by the friends of the project, to secure an act of the Legislature, in its favor, and this was accomplished on August 2, 1883. The act is plain and explicit, and complete in detail, and places the Dover Public Library upon the most solid and permanent foundation possible to conceive. The Trustees were then elected, and the work of organization taken in hand in earnest. From this time the report of these Trustees will give you all information as to its progress, condition, &c. and I will only add that during the whole process of its establishment, there has been but one sentiment manifested upon the part of all the people, and that has been of earnest sympathy and support.

This institution will place in the hands of every citizen the means for education and entertainment. It will enlighten

and ennoble, and help to bring refinement, purity, dignity and prosperity to our city, and I know of nothing that will add more of real life, vigor and reputation, or be a greater attraction to families to come and reside with us, (if, perhaps, we except our schools and churches), than a good Public Library.

I bespeak for ours, the most generous and liberal treatment at your hands, and I most earnestly appeal to the hearts and hands of great and noble men and women, to aid in making it an institution of which every son and daughter of Dover may well feel proud.

One matter of very great importance, which is too often overlooked, or does not receive the attention it deserves, is the inauguration and support of

INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES.

In this respect Dover has a record equal, or perhaps superior, to the average of cities of its size, since we have several institutions, which, from humble beginnings, now assume magnificent proportions, commanding the trade and influencing the markets of the continent; but while this is true, a large and principal proportion of our capital has been invested where, at best, only an ordinary profit has resulted to the individual owners, and no benefit accrued to other citizens. Had this same money been invested carefully in Dover, in some of the thousand industries which are so profitably conducted in other cities, the investors would have directly realized much larger returns, and indirectly, in the enhanced value of their shops and homes and lands, would have received another and even larger dividend, while every citizen would also have been benefitted, and our city have been many times its present size and importance. In this particular as in all others, the value of the property and the success and prosperity of the city, are in the hands of the people, and I speak thus pointedly because I see so plainly what we might do and be, and still find so little real active interest exhibited in matters of such commanding importance.

It is to be sincerely hoped that the success of recent endeavors to re-establish the shoe manufacturing interest in our city, will inspire us all with renewed courage and energy, and induce the establishment of other industries in our midst,—each of which will aid in making all others more valuable and successful, and our city more thrifty and prosperous.

I deem it proper at this time to call your attention to the action of the City during the past year, and its present position, relative to the erection of

BUILDINGS

for the Courts and County offices of the County of Strafford, in order that you may be prepared to act promptly and efficiently, if any question should arise involving the business interests, prosperity or dignity of the city.

On February 1st, 1883, a resolution was passed by the City Councils appointing a committee to prepare for presentation to the Legislature a petition for an enabling act, allowing the City of Dover to appropriate money for the construction of suitable buildings for County and Court purposes.

This committee secured the services of legal gentlemen of Dover in the preparation of proper papers and fulfilled their duties. On May 10, 1883, at a meeting of the City Councils in Joint Convention, a petition was received signed by a large number of the citizens of Dover, and representing much of wealth and influence, and reading as follows :

“The undersigned, citizens and tax-payers of the City of Dover, respectfully ask you to pass a vote pledging the faith of the City to purchase a lot and build a building or buildings suitable and ample for a Court House and County offices in said City, and to procure the passage of an act of the Legislature of the State at its next session, authorizing and empowering said City to raise by law, or otherwise, a sum of money sufficient for the above purposes.”

Citizens were heard upon the petition, and a resolution was then offered as follows :

“In view of the demand for increased and improved accommodations for the County officers and Courts in the County of Strafford, Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Dover, That the Mayor and President of the Common Council be empowered and specially requested in behalf of the City to apply to the Legislature at its next session for the passage of an enabling act to read as follows :

Be it enacted, &c.

SEC. 1. That the City of Dover be authorized and empowered raise by loan or otherwise, and to appropriate a sum of money not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, for erecting and finishing a Court House and County offices for the use of the County of Strafford.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.”

“Resolved, That immediately upon the passage of such enabling act, the City Councils will take steps to obtain a lot, and procure plans for a building or buildings to be erected thereon, such as shall be determined to be necessary and suitable for that purpose by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court or such one of the Associate Justices as the Court itself may select, and the County Commissioners, and at once after the approval of such lot and plans, will appropriate money and contract for the building of such buildings in accordance with such plans, and upon such lot, and will hasten the same to completion, and upon the completion thereof will tender the use thereof to the County of Strafford so long as Dover shall remain the shire town of said County, provided the County will surrender to the City the present City Hall building.”

Passed unanimously in Board of Aldermen and concurred in unanimously in Board of Common Council. The committee attended to their duty by placing the matter in the hands

of the representatives from Dover, who brought it before the Legislature and secured the passage of the following act :

“ Be it enacted, &c.

SEC. 1. That the city of Dover be, and hereby is, authorized to raise by loan or taxation, and to appropriate a sum of money not exceeding fifty thousand (50,000) dollars, for purchasing a lot and erecting and furnishing a Court House and County offices for the use of the County of Strafford.

SEC. 2. Said City of Dover shall have power to take land for the aforesaid purposes by paying the owners the value thereof to be appraised in the same manner as in the case of lands taken for highways.”

Approved, July 13, 1883.

After the passage of this act, I am informed that a question arose in the delegation as to the power of the Commissioners to lease the new building for the County and release the County's rights in the old building to the City, and the result seems to have been the passage of another act, as follows :

“ Be it enacted, &c.

SEC. 1. The County Convention of the County of Strafford is hereby authorized to empower the Commissioners of said County to accept a loan of the Court House to be built by the City of Dover, and thereupon to execute a release of all the rights now possessed by said County in the building now known as the City Hall and Court House in said City, now used for County purposes, provided that any lot of land selected by said City for the purpose, shall be approved before its purchase by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court (or some Justice delegated by him) and the County Commissioners, with a view to the convenience of the County.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

On August 7, 1883, the City Councils appointed a committee to recommend a lot and procure plans for the County buildings and report.

This committee made two reports ; the majority, signed by ten, recommended the Sarah Low lot and advised its purchase ; the minority, signed by eight, proposed that since the Court and County were interested with the City, that the Chief Justice and County Commissioners be invited to meet the Councils in conference, in reference to the desirability of the five following lots, viz: the Hale lot, the Low lot, the present City Hall building, the Jones & Walker lot, and the Cocheco lot. The majority report was adopted by the Councils.

In the City Councils, September 20, 1883, it was voted that the Chief Justice or a Justice designated by him, and the County Commissioners, be requested to examine the Sarah Low lot with a view to its convenience to the County, and that a committee from the Court House committee meet the Chief Justice and County Commissioners, and present the Low lot as the choice of the City Councils.

The Chief Justice and County Commissioners were shown the Low lot, and subsequently reported to the committee as follows :

“ The undersigned have complied with the request of the committee of the City, and have examined the Sarah Low lot, which the City have selected for a Court House lot. But the law requires us to act ‘ with a view to the convenience of the County,’ and we are of opinion that we cannot perform that duty without information as to other lots. We think our duty requires us to be informed or to inform ourselves of other lots, so that we can judge whether the Sarah Low lot is the most convenient one for the County.” [Signed.]

C. DOE,
J. I. HUCKINS,
WM. E. WATERHOUSE,
ALBERT DEMERRITT.

No further action having been taken by the City, a notice was issued by the Chief Justice and County Commissioners, appointing a hearing on October 22, 1883, at the office of the County Commissioners.

The hearing was held on October 29, 1883, and a report was made as follows :

"The undersigned have examined the question of approving the Low lot, selected by the City of Dover for a Court House, and have given all persons concerned an opportunity to be heard on the question. The law requires us to act 'with a view to the convenience of the County,' and does not leave us at liberty to act with any other view. Dover and the rest of the County could have made a bargain very different from the one they did make. In consideration of Dover assuming a great County expense, with no more contribution from the County than its interest in the old Court House, the rest of the County could have agreed that the City Government should select a lot with a view to the benefit of the business and property of some or all of the citizens of Dover, or with a view to the ornament of the City, although the lot thus selected might not be the most convenient for the County. If such a bargain had been made, and the lot selected was to be approved by other persons, they might need to know the degree of inconvenience to which, in consideration aforesaid, the County should submit. But in the bargain that was made, the County did not agree to submit to any degree of inconvenience. The statute shows the bargain.

Our duty requires a careful consideration of the convenience of the large number of people who are called, by their public or private business, from all parts of the County, including Dover, to the Dover terms of the Supreme Court, the Register of Probate, the Register of Deeds and the County Commissioners.

The County centres of territory and population are north of the Dover depot of the B. & M. R. R. And so large a part of the people having business at the Court House, go to that depot on the cars and from the depot to the Court House on foot, that their convenience is a large part of the convenience of the County. And while the depot remains where it is, and

the present mode and courses of travel continue, the Court House ought (if its present location is changed,) to be reasonably near the depot, where it would be convenient for all, and most convenient for a great majority. The lot should have good air and light, and be free from such noise of railroads and streets, and from all such surroundings as would unreasonably disturb the business of the Court House. Such a place can be found near the depot, where the expense would be no more than at the Low lot. The Low lot being inconveniently distant from the depot, we do not approve it. In our judgment, it cannot be approved with a view to the County convenience, which we have no authority to sacrifice.

C. DOE,
JOHN I. HUCKINS,
WILLIAM E. WATERHOUSE,
ALBERT DEMERRITT.

On Nov. 1st, 1883, a petition was received by the City Councils, signed by a large number of citizens, reading as follows:

"To the City Councils, &c.:

We, the undersigned, citizens and tax-payers of the City of Dover, respectfully petition your honorable body, that all further action in regard to the selection of a lot for Court House purposes be indefinitely postponed."

In Board of Aldermen voted that the prayer of petitioners be granted, 6 to 4.

In Board of Common Council laid upon the table, 9 to 4.

On December 6th, a resolution to refer the whole matter of the County Court House to the next (1884) City Government for their action thereon, was passed by the Common Council and laid upon the table in Board of Aldermen.

Since December 6, no action has been taken by either Board.

Now there may be a difference of opinion among our citizens

to some extent, as to the necessity or propriety of erecting new County buildings. Also, as to the danger of the removal of the county seat to any other locality. Also, as to what, if any, obligations rest upon us on account of the action of the Councils during the past year—but I feel that I should fail to do my duty did I not present to you all the facts as I understand them, and assure you that I believe them worthy of your early attention and serious consideration.

And now, Gentlemen, in conclusion, I will only add that all our interests are mutual, and that each will require the aid and assistance of the other; and if we all, exercising our best enlightened judgments, meet every duty and responsibility manfully, we need have no fear for the result.

And if the proprietors of Dover, the people, will, according to their means and abilities, attend to all the interests of their city, as a shrewd and successful merchant or manufacturer cares for his business, they will, in the not distant future, be surprised and surprise others by their rapid growth and prosperity, and their individual and municipal wealth.

REPORT

OF THE

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE

ON FINANCE.

To the Honorable City Councils of the City of Dover:

The undersigned have the honor of presenting their annual report for the financial year which terminated Dec. 31, 1883:

Cash balance of 1882 was,	\$29,189 61
Cash received from taxes and other sources, particulars exhibited in the Treasurer's report,	155,851 77
	\$185,041 38

CONTRA.

The expenditures were as follows:

State Tax,	\$17,660 00
County Tax,	20,762 79
City Bonds,	5,000 00
Interest,	10,836 28
Paid in the several departments, as shown in Treasurer's report,	96,514 46
Cash in Treasury, Dec. 31, 1883,	34,267 85
	\$185,041 38

Annexed to this report is the City Treasurer's report.

We have examined the Treasurer's books, checks and ac-

counts. We find his books plainly and correctly kept, his accounts accurately cast, and each payment supported by a corresponding voucher. We have examined the sources from which the income of the city has been derived, and are satisfied that he has charged himself with the whole amount paid into the Treasury.

We have also examined all appropriations, vouchers and receipts in the City Clerk's office, and compared the certificates of the Standing Committee on Claims with the Treasurer's checks; and we find the Clerk's accounts correctly cast, and all bills approved and checks properly issued.

JAS. E. LOTHROP,	} Joint Standing Committee on Finance.
JOHN C. PRAY,	
PATRICK COSKER,	
JAMES W. BARTLETT,	

Dover, Jan. 1, 1884.

CITY OF DOVER IN ACCOUNT WITH FRANK FREEMAN, TREASURER.

DR.

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January 1, 1883.

To balance from 1882,.....	\$29,189 61	By Highways,.....	\$12,440 45
Taxes 1881,.....	2,510 00	Miscellaneous,.....	2,289 02
“ 1882,.....	16,000 00	Fire Department,.....	8,614 04
“ 1883,.....	103,000 00	Police,.....	5,712 06
“ 1880,.....	230 00	Special,.....	11,564 08
Interest Taxes, 1882,.....	370 88	Salaries,.....	3,507 00
Cemetery,.....	482 00	Printing and Stationery,.....	659 87
Sewers,.....	327 50	Bridges,.....	3,996 33
City Hall rent,.....	1,270 53	Coupon Interest,.....	10,886 28
Police costs and fines,....	1,081 16	Gas Lights,.....	4,160 24
Police Clerk fees,.....	257 83	Repairs on school houses	2,552 92
Savings Bank tax,.....	15,506 18	Sewers,.....	897 84
Railroad tax,....\$3,322 61		Schools,.....	20,451 00
Less School Pro- portion,.....	659 00	Sidewalks,.....	2,151 38
	2,663 61	Pauper Dep't,.....	2,084 02
Rent of Hearse House Lot	8 00	Health,.....	182 50
Int. on P. & D. R. R. bonds	420 00	County Tax,.....	29,762 79
Notes,.....	9,999 52	City Bonds,.....	5,000 00
Tuition,.....	26 67	Cemetery,.....	731 89
Brick,.....	19	Public Buildings,.....	312 28
Town of Somersworth,...	76 46	State Tax,.....	17,660 00
“ “ Madbury,.....	21 57	Int. Currier Fund,.....	60 00
B. Rich, hogs,.....	59 80	Cleaning School Houses,	179 26
Rent of Ward House in		Notes,.....	10,000 00
Ward 1,.....	37 64	Public Library,.....	2,151 23
Circus License,.....	30 00	Evening School,.....	409 40
S. F. Hurd, witness fees,	2 62	Support of Prisoners,....	1,065 65
Old bridge plank, Pray,..	9 00	Fourth of July,.....	300 00
“ “ “ Snell,..	10 00	Dog Tax,.....	42 00
Old gas lamp,.....	50	Balance to new account,.	34,267 85
Henderson v. City,.....	10 50		
Police Court fees from			
County,.....	83 44		
Rent of Ward House of			
Ward 4,.....	2 00		
Sale St. Thomas Street			
School House,.....	1,325 00		
Rent of stone yard,.....	29 17		
	\$185,041.38		\$185,041 38

Respectfully Submitted,

FRANK FREEMAN,

CITY TREASURER.

January 1st, 1884.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

ASSESSORS' OFFICE, }
DOVER, N. H., Dec. 17, 1883. }

To the City Councils of the City of Dover:

GENTLEMEN:—In compliance with the request of the Mayor, we have examined the Assessors' books, and the City Treasurer has given us the amount paid to him since January 1st, 1883, and our estimate of the amount due the City of Dover, [after deducting abatements and Collector's salary] on account of uncollected Taxes for the years 1878-79-80-81-82 and 83, is Forty-two Thousand Dollars, of which amount probably not over Forty Thousand Dollars can be collected, or made available to the city.

It has been customary for the Aldermen to appoint the Mayor or one of their number a committee to act with the Assessors in examining the Collector's account, but the Assessors do not think they have any authority to settle with the Collectors, and respectfully ask to be excused from that duty.

Respectfully Submitted,

JAMES H. DAVIS,
For the Assessors of Dover.

REPORT

—OF—

POLICE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and to the City Councils of the City of Dover:

GENTLEMEN:—Having been appointed to audit the accounts of the City Marshal and other officers of the Police Department, and the accounts of the Clerk of the Police Court, we herewith submit the following report:

We have examined all the accounts of the said officials, and all vouchers to us furnished, from the 8th of December, 1882, to the 8th of December, 1883, and find them correct, with the exception of an error in computation on the part of the City Marshal, whereby he is still indebted to the City in the amount of sixty cents.

We would recommend that, in the future, a book be furnished the City Marshal, in which the names of the witnesses, outside of the City officials, may be inserted, so arranged that said witnesses, on receiving their fees, may receipt therefor.

ROBERT G. PIKE,
WM. F. NASON.

Dover, N. H., December 17th, 1883.

REPORT

OF THE

CLERK OF THE POLICE COURT.

To the Mayor and the City Councils of the City of Dover:

The undersigned, Clerk of the Police Court, submits the following report for the year ending December 31st, 1883:

There have been entered on the Police Court Civil Docket seventy-six [76] cases. On the Police Court Criminal Docket, two hundred and sixty-six [266] complaints, for the following causes, viz :

Drunk on public steets,.....	101
“ in private houses,.....	23
Assaults,... ..	51
Violation of Liquor Law,.....	21
Larceny,.....	14
Snow-balling in public streets,.....	7
Breaking and entering,.....	6
Profane language,.....	6
Truants,.....	5
Libel and slander,.....	5
Aggravated Assault,.....	5
Disorderly Conduct,.....	3
Keeping open after hours,.....	2
Obtaining money under false pretences,.....	2
Fast Driving,.....	2
Receiving stolen goods,.....	2
Cruelty to animals,.....	1

Keeping slaughter house in compact part of the city,	2
Tramps,.....	2
Assault on Officer,.....	1
Obstructing Officer,.....	1
Obscene words,.....	1
Manslaughter,.....	1
Practicing medicine without license,.....	1
Selling Lottery Tickets,.....	1
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These cases were disposed of as follows :

Fined,.....	115
Committed,	46
Bound over to Supreme Court,.....	38
Sentence suspended,.....	22
Discharged.....	19
Appealed from sentence,.....	14
Discharged on payment of cost.....	8
Disclosed,.....	2
Sent to N. H. Industrial School,.....	2
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	266

Applications for Naturalization,.....	10
Naturalized,.....	7

Amount of fees collected by Clerk of Police Court

from January 1, to December 31, 1883,..... \$340.07

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WHITTEMORE,

CLERK OF POLICE COURT.

REPORT

OF THE

CITY MARSHAL.

CITY MARSHAL'S OFFICE,)
January 1st, 1884.)

To His Honor the Mayor and City Councils of Dover:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit to you my Annual Report, showing briefly the condition of the department and operations for the year ending December 31, 1883.

The regular force consists of seven men, as follows: One Marshal, one Assistant Marshal, one Day Police, and four Night Watchmen. The Assistant Marshal is Captain of the Night Watch. The Marshal and Day Police are on duty from 7 A. M. to 10 P. M. Two Night Watch are on duty from 8 P. M. to 4 A. M., and two are on duty from 10 P. M. until 6 in the morning, and one is on duty from 10 P. M. until 7, when relieved by the day force. The work which has become a matter of record upon the books for the past year, is as follows:

ARRESTS.

Whole number,.....	338
Males,.....	306
Females,.....	32

CAUSES OF ARRESTS.

Drunkenness,.....	163
Assaults,.....	64

Aggravated Assaults.....	9
Larceny,.....	17
Keeping Liquor for sale,.....	19
Breaking and entering,.....	8
Attempt to break and enter,.....	3
Tramps,.....	2
Breaking windows,.....	2
Conveying liquor to prisoners,.....	1
Truants,.....	5
Keeping open after hours,.....	2
Disturbance in City Hall,.....	2
Keeping a nuisance,.....	2
Noise and brawl,.....	1
Assault with intent to kill,.....	1
Using threatening language,.....	1
Concealing stolen property,.....	2
Obtaining goods by false pretenses.....	2
Practicing medicine without a license,.....	1
Profane language,...	8
Throwing snow-balls,.....	7
Bastardy,.....	1
Selling liquor,.....	2
Fast driving,.....	2
Horse stealing,.....	2
Disorderly conduct,.....	1
Assault on an officer,.....	1
Selling Lottery tickets,.....	1
Skippping bail,.....	1
Arrested on suspicion,.....	3
Rearrested,.....	2

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DISPOSITION OF ARRESTS.

Fined and ordered to pay costs,.....	130
Committed to County Jail,.....	26

Committed to County Farm.....	20
Bound over to Supreme Court.....	35
Appealed from sentence.....	14
Discharged by Court.....	19
Placed on probation.....	7
Sentence suspended.....	22
Disclosed on liquor sellers.....	2
Sent to Industrial School.....	2
Settled by parties without trial.....	9
Delivered to out of town officers.....	8
Discharged without trial.....	34
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	338

AMOUNT OF FINES AND COSTS COLLECTED.

By Marshal.....	\$1,319 55
By Police Clerk.....	340 07
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	\$1,659 62

During the year there have been fed and lodged at the Police Station, 449 persons, an increase of one hundred over last year.

There have been during the year twenty-three doors of places of business found open by the night watch, and owners notified.

Hoping my efforts meet with your approval, I remain,

Yours Respectfully,

REUBEN A. LIBBEY,
City Marshal.

REPORT

OF THE

CITY SOLICITOR.

To the City Councils of the City of Dover:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit my report as Solicitor. The first case to which I invite your attention is one in which Mrs. Betsey L. Head was plaintiff, and in which she sought to recover damages for an injury by her received, by reason, as she claimed, of a defective sidewalk on St. John street. At the February term of court, 1883, there was a trial had, and verdict for plaintiff for \$1350. The Hon., Wm. L. Foster, of Concord, assisted in the trial of this case.

Second. Samuel Stevens vs. Dover. This was an action to recover damages by reason of the raising of the grade of Sawyer school lot. This case was settled for \$300.

Third. Fred. D. Brown vs. Dover. This was an action to recover for injuries received by reason of an obstruction on First street. At the February term, 1883, the plaintiff went out of court, the action being entered neither party.

Fourth. Mary E. Henderson vs. Dover. This was an action to recover for injuries received by reason of a defective sidewalk on Silver street. Trial September term, 1883. Disagreement by the jury. In the month of October the plaintiff went out of Court, the action being entered neither party. Hon. Wm. J. Copeland assisted in this case.

Fifth. Wm. R. Brown vs. Dover. An action to recover

the value of a horse that had its leg broken by reason of a defective highway, as was claimed by the plaintiff. Trial September term, 1883. Verdict for city.

The following suits stand against the City :

Annie Ashworth vs. Dover. An action for injuries by reason of a defective sidewalk on the corner of Main and Washington streets.

Cocheco Manufacturing Company vs. Dover. This Company makes a claim for \$2,025.80. I have yet to learn upon what ground the claim is based. It has, however, been submitted to a board of referees, and a hearing will be had on the same.

Eastern Railroad vs. Dover. An appeal from your Boards in voting to have gates erected on Washington street. The case is in the hands of the County Commissioners.

Addie Young. A notice of injuries received by reason of a defective highway on Tolend road. I do not think there is cause for alarm in any of the suits now pending against the city.

Thanking you for your kind and courteous treatment, I respectfully submit the above.

WM. F. NASON,

Solicitor.

Dover, December 28, 1883.

REPORT

OF THE

STREET COMMISSIONER.

To His Honor the Mayor, and the City Councils of the City of Dover:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to present my fifth annual report of the condition of the streets, sidewalks and Sewers:

Appropriations for repairs of Highways....	\$12,500 00
For sidewalks and street crossings.....	2,500 00
For Sewers,.....	1,000 00
	<hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$16,000 00

HIGHWAYS.

Last winter was spent as usual, in breaking roads and sidewalks, and hauling stone for the crusher. There were 412 loads of stone hauled during the winter. We had so much ice that the sidewalks needed to be sanded about every day, the gutters cut out several times, and the snow shoveled off the outside of the walk so we could get along with the snow plow. This made it very expensive as we had to keep a large crew of men all winter.

The summer was spent in hauling gravel and crushing stone.

The following streets have had crushed stone put on, viz.: Orchard street, 86 loads; Broadway, 259; Atkinson, 290; New York, 200; Franklin, 37; Garrison Hill, 150; making in all 1,023 loads of stone. 407 loads of gravel hauled from Christie's

bank and put on Silver street, Locust, South Pine and Mount Pleasant; 48 loads hauled from Brown's bank and put on the hill down by Sawyer's bridge; 64 loads from Tasker's bank to make a sidewalk on Fourth street, along by Dearborn's lot.

Gravel has been hauled from the City bank and put on the following streets, viz.: Horne, Mt. Vernon, Maple, Franklin, Ash and Hanson. About every street in the City has had a few loads of gravel or stone, where they were washed out by the showers last summer. Hill street has had considerable done to it; a new culvert put in, the hill cut down and put in the hollow; 200 loads taken from New York street and put on Hill street,—it is now one of the best cross streets in the City. I believe our streets are in a fair condition, and with the same appropriation as we have had, can be improved and kept safe for public travel.

SIDEWALKS.

There have been over 900 loads of cinders put on sidewalks this year; nearly every street has had more or less. We haul 25 or 30 loads a day on an average, so it will take five or six weeks to keep the walks in repair through the summer, to say nothing about hauling from five hundred to six hundred loads to the farm every winter, which have to be handled twice. It will cost \$1,000 a year to keep our sidewalks in repair, so I have encouraged everybody to buy edging and have the City put in a brick walk in front of their lots. I believe it to be a saving to the City. Brick sidewalks were put in this year on the following streets, viz.: Washington, Atkinson, Waldron, St. Thomas, Silver, Second, Franklin and Broadway. 83,400 new brick have been laid this season, beside that which has been taken up and relaid.

Our sidewalks are very good, but they could be greatly improved if the City Government would pass a law that the abutters should do the bricking and the city furnish the edging, as they do in other cities, and then we could have a regular city

edging, 7 inches thick, 18 or 20 inches wide and not less than 6 feet long, and from that to 12 or 15 feet long.

STONE CROSSINGS.

There have been seven stone crossings put in this year, across the following streets, viz: Washington 2, Court 1, Atkinson 1, Main 1, Payne 1, Belknap 1, taking 659 lineal feet of stone 20 inches wide.

SEWERS.

A large sewer, 22 capacity, has been laid from Worthen's carriage shop, on Locust street, around to St. Thomas, to the brook. This was put in to take the sewers that run into the brook out from under Davis's stable. I took up about 100 feet of sewer laid by Mr. Hill. The sewer was lower at Joseph Mann's house than at the brook. I have had set this year 19 sewer grates and bars for surface water, put in on the following streets. viz.: Grove, four, near John Hurd's shoe shop; St. Thomas, two; Third, two; Silver, one; Hill, one; Broadway, one; New York, four; Locust, one; Washington, one; Fifth, one; Gulf Road, near Mathes's coal shed, one; and 232 feet of 10 inch pipe, laid on Portland street hill.

BRIDGES.

A new iron bridge has been built across the river near the County Farm, the Watson bridge, so called. This is the best iron bridge in the city, and there is much credit due the committee. Central street bridge has been replanked with oak plank, and I believe the bridges are in as good repair as they have been for some time, and will need but little done to them next year.

The following sums have been expended, according to the pay rolls and bills approved by me, viz :

For repairs of streets and highways,.....	\$12,440 45
For permanent sidewalks and stone crossings,....	2,151 38
For Sewers,.....	897 84

Total expenditures for the year ending Dec. 31, '83. \$15,489 67

In closing, I desire to thank the Mayor, the committee on streets, and your honorable bodies, for their courteous treatment and assistance during the past year, and to the highway surveyors and employes I return my thanks for their cordial co-operation with me.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL F. HURD,

Street Commissioner.

REPORT
OF THE
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON CITY FARM.

To the Honorable City Councils of the City of Dover:

GENTLEMEN:—The Committee on City Farm and House of Correction beg leave to submit to your boards the following report for the past municipal year.

We have found no necessity for making repairs on the buildings in our care, and it does not seem likely that any will be required for some time.

There is a difference of opinion among citizens as to the proper disposal of the farm land, other than the ledge. It is strongly believed by many that an iron bridge should be thrown across the river at the foot of Washington street.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS B. LASKEY,
CHARLES H. FOSS.
JAMES M'COOEY.

Dover, January 1, 1884.

REPORT

—OF—

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CEMETERY.

To the City Councils of the City of Dover:

The appropriations for Cemetery for year ending December 31, 1883, were,..... \$725.00

Expenditures,..... 719.40

Too little attention has been paid to this department. Public sentiment would warrant a much larger annual expenditure than has been usually allowed. Few of our people are disinterested; and to the majority the grounds are sacred.

We have expended our money carefully, and show for it one new avenue, well ordered paths, and general neatness.

The value of unsold lots is \$525.00; that of land not laid out \$2500.00. Measures ought to be taken at once to procure additional land.

Notwithstanding one or more efforts to procure water for the grounds had failed, we attempted the job, and upon careful examination fixed upon a reservoir to be filled by steamers. We are satisfied with the result, and believe that another might be constructed to advantage. There will be little trouble in keeping shrubbery, plants and flowers in a growing and thrifty condition.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHANIEL HORN,) Committee on
JOHN H. INGRAHAM,) Cemetery.

Dover, January 1, 1884.

REPORT

OF THE

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE

ON BRIDGES.

To the City Councils of the City of Dover:

The Joint Standing Committee on Bridges submit the following as their annual report for the closing municipal year:

The committee have duly attended to all matters referred to them by the City Councils, and have acted, or reported thereon, as the case required.

We were confronted early in the season, with the necessity of building a new bridge at Watson's, so called. After some consideration, it was decided to put up a substantial iron structure. This conclusion seemed satisfactory to all, and we now point with some pride to the result.

The total expenses of the department have been \$3,996 33.

The city has been unfortunate in the construction of some of its bridges, and has failed at times to exercise sufficient care for their preservation. The Watson structure is exceptionally strong and skillfully put together. If it be looked after, it will be a good many years before another will be required to take its place.

It does not seem probable that any large expenditure will be needed in this department next year, though each bridge should be carefully inspected at an early date. Few New England towns or cities maintain so many bridges as we feel compelled to do,

consequently our expenses during any term of years must, of necessity, be considerable. Watchfulness and promptness, however, will save a good deal.

In closing our report we must return our sincere thanks to the City Councils for their prompt and cheerful co-operation at all times.

TIMOTHY H. SNELL,	} Joint Standing Committee on Bridges.
SAMUEL HUSSEY,	
JOHN C. PRAY,	

Dover, Dec. 31, 1883.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER.

*To His Honor, the Mayor, and to the City Councils of the
City of Dover:*

GENTLEMEN:—In compliance with the Ordinance defining the duties of Chief Engineer, I herewith present the annual report of the condition of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31st, 1883, embracing a detailed statement of its labors, together with a roll of its members, list of fires and alarms that have occurred, with amount of loss and insurance as near as could be ascertained, location of reservoirs, and general condition of the department.

ROLL

OF

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY OF DOVER,

JANUARY 1ST, 1884.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Chief Engineer—Joseph S. Abbott.

First Assistant Engineer—Horatio G. Hanson.

Second “ “ Charles F. Spurlin.

Clerk—Charles F. Spurlin.

CATARACT NO. 4, SAWYER MILLS.

Volunteer Company.

ROLL OF ENGINEERS, FIREMEN AND DRIVERS.

ENGINEERS—Dover 1, Eugene Smart ; Cochecho 2, Thatcher T. White ; Fountain 3, William H. Hilliard.

ASSISTANT ENGINEERS—Cochecho 2, John S. Stackpole ; Fountain 3, James Stevens.

FIREMEN—Dover 1, Smith W. Gray ; Cochecho 2, J. Frank Swain ; Fountain 3, Charles W. Tuttle.

DRIVERS—Cochecho 2, John Murphy ; Fountain 3, James Thompson ; Hook and Ladder, No. 1, William Rand ; R. N. Ross Hose Carriage, No. 2, Wesley Sterling.

LOCATION OF THE TELEPHONE FIRE ALARM BOXES.

No. 1 on Washington street, key at Charles A. Faxon's house.

No. 2 on Silver street, corner of Belknap, key at James Reynold's house.

No. 3 on Pleasant street, key at John Scott's house.

No. 4 on Mt. Pleasant street, key at H. G. Hanson's house.

No. 5 on Hanson street, key at George Hanson's house.

No. 6 on corner of Maine and Portland streets, keys at McIntyre's meat market and George York's shop.

No. 7 on the Turnpike, key at John W. Trefethen's house.

No. 8 on New York street, key at Wm. T. Lucas' house.

No. 9 on Franklin street, key at Nute & Wolcott's store on Franklin street.

No. 10 on Sixth and Maple streets, key at William Parker's house.

ROLL OF STEAMER NO. 1.

Foreman, Charles E. Ricker ; 1st Assistant, Charles H. Merrill ; Clerk and Treasurer, Samuel B. Abbott ; Engineer, Eu-

gene Smart ; Fireman, Smith W. Gray ; Charles D. Vincent, Henry P. Glidden, Charles F. Hall.

COCHECHO S. F. E. CO., NO. 2.

Foreman, George E. Smart ; 1st Assistant, George A. Swain ; 2nd Assistant, John M. Wheeler ; Clerk, John D. Babb ; Engineer, Thatcher T. White ; Fireman, John S. Stackpole ; Assistant Fireman, J. Frank Swain, Newell H. Young, Gilbert Rollins, George P. Burleigh, William Hacking, Frank Scribner, Henry E. Young, Herbert A. Canney, Lewis H. Smith, Frank H. Young, John H. Manscomb, Charles H. Smart.

FOUNTAIN 3 S. F. E. CO.

Foreman, Kingman Fernald ; First Assistant, John Clancy ; Second Assistant, Thomas Gage ; Clerk, Rupert Bishop ; Treasurer, Albert A. Pike ; Engineer, William Hilliard ; Assistant Engineer, James Stevens ; Fireman, Charles Tuttle ; Jacob Twombly, Jackson Shaw, George Whitehouse, William Pineo, Charles A. Rawlins, John Foreman, John Blanchard, Charles Wakefield, Edward Burnham, George W. Whitehouse.

ROLL CALL OF LINCOLN HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY NO. 1.

Foreman, David Hammond ; Assistant Foreman, Thomas F. Drew ; Clerk, Charles H. Hussey ; Steward, Fred. D. Brown. Members, Ira A. Butterfield, Charles E. Clark, George W. Cook, Eugene Davis, J. C. Dillon, F. H. Emerson, Frank Foye, George M. Gray, John Gorman, Lyman Hodgdon, Hugh Hanna, Carl Kisterman, B. J. Kelley, P. W. Lord, P. Laughran, A. M'Donough, James Quinn, Geo. D. Stratton, George K. Willand, Albert F. Willand, George York.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus of the Fire Department consists of—

Steamer No. 1, built by the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company in 1865.

Steamer No. 2, built by the same company the same year.

Steamer No. 3, built by the same company in 1875.

Cataract No. 4, Hand Machine, built by Hunneman in 1847. Volunteer Company.

One Hook and Ladder Truck, built by B. F. Preble & Co., in 1868.

One Hose Carriage, built by the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company in 1865.

One new Supply Wagon, built by H. A. Worthen in 1882.

One old Supply Wagon, not in use.

HOSE.

The Fire Department has 13,250 feet of hose now in use, located as follows:

6,800 feet of Hose at Engine House, linen.

1,000 " " Sawyer Mills. "

450 " " " leather.

3,000 " " Cocheco Hose House, linen.

2,000 " " " " leather.

HOUSES.

The engine houses are in good condition. A new plank floor has been laid in the steamer house, which will be of great benefit to the horses.

I would recommend that a stable be built at the Hook & Ladder House, for the horses, so as to be handy in case of fire. As it is now, it is inconvenient and dangerous.

During the past year eleven call bells have been placed in the houses of members of the department, which are owned by the city.

LIST OF FIRES AND ALARMS FOR THE YEAR 1883.

DATE.	OWNER.	LOCATION.	LOSS.	INS.	CAUSE.
Jan. 13	Cocheco Man'fg. Co.	Washington st.	None.	.....	Friction of a Pulley.
Jan. 23	Geo. P. Demeritt.	Young St.	\$500	Covered.	Unknown.
Feb. 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	Alarm.
Mar. 13	.....	.....	.....	.....	Alarm.
April 2	.....	.....	.....	.....	Alarm.
April 9	Mr. Roberts.	East Brick St.	None.	.....	Matches.
May 7	Cocheco Bank.	Fifth St.	None.	.....	Matches.
June 20	Abbott Littlefield.	Garrison Hill.	Goods \$100	\$500	Unknown.
Oct. 6	B. & M. Railroad.	Broadway.	\$700	Covered.	Spontaneous Combustion.
Nov. 2	.....	.....	.....	.....	Alarm.
Nov. 15	Mrs. Cole.	Young St.	Goods \$25	No Ins.	Unknown.
Nov. 30	Henry Law.	Central St.	None.	.....	Defective Flue
Dec. 23	Joseph Hayes.	Waldron St.	\$400	\$700	Spontaneous Combustion.
Dec. 23	Joseph Hayes.	Waldron St.	.....	.....	Alarm.
Dec. 24	M. Killoren.	Payne St.	None.	.....	Chimney burning.

RESERVOIRS.

NORTH SIDE.	SOUTH SIDE.
One on Chapel street.	One corner Walnut and Washington.
One on Portland street.	Two Hydrants on Washington Street.
Two on Broadway.	Two Hydrants on Atkinson street.
One corner Sixth and Franklin.	One cor. Belknap and Washington.
One on Franklin street.	One on Washington street.
One on Reservoir street.	One on Hale street.
One corner Hough and Maple.	Hydrants on Locust street.
One on Chestnut street.	One on Silver street.
One corner Grove and Fourth.	One on Locust street.
One at High School House.	One on Mt. Pleasant street.
Central street bridge.	Two on Tuttle square.
One at Fourth street bridge.	One on Court street.
Two at Garrison Hill.	One on Pleasant street.
	Printery Hydrants.
	One on Payne street.
	One on Green street.
	Two Hydrants at Pine Hill.

FIRES AND ALARMS.

From Jan. 1st, 1883 to Jan. 1st, 1884, there were fifteen fires and alarms in the City as shown in a table appended to this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I would again call your attention to our water supply for fire purposes. It is not sufficient. Some parts of our city are left without any supply at all. No part of the city is so poorly protected as the upper end of Washington street, and vicinity. For a small expense water enough could be furnished for fire purposes sufficient to cope with any fire that will happen in that neighborhood, and I would strongly recommend that an open reservoir be built at the Page brook, near Moses Page's house, and opposite the residence of the late Lemuel Trickey. I would also recommend that a pipe be connected with the Hydrant pipe in front of my house on Atkinson street to go through to Folsom street, which would save building a reservoir on Cushing street. I would recommend a reservoir at the lower end of Payne street, or Niles street, (so called), and one opposite the slaughter-house of Eben C. Berry. Two of the Steamers are in good condition, and reliable, but Dover 1 has outlived its usefulness,* and I would recommend the purchase of a new one to take its place.

In conclusion, I would express my thanks to His Honor, the Mayor, to members of the City Councils, and Committee on Fire Department, for their earnest efforts to promote the efficiency of the Fire Department; to our worthy City Clerk for the aid he has rendered; to the officers and members of the several companies for the prompt and efficient manner in which they have discharged their duties.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH S. ABBOTT,

Chief Engineer, D. F. D.

Dover, December 31, 1883.

REPORT
—OF—
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.

To the City Councils of the City of Dover:

At the time of making the annual appropriations, your committee recommended a complete renovation of the City Hall. The public feeling in regard to the matter could not be misunderstood. The walls, wood-work, and ceiling were declared to be in a disgraceful condition. Only eight hundred dollars was appropriated. We asked for proposals and found it impossible to do all required for the sum at our command. Then a difference of opinion grew up in the boards, and it was thought best to wait for the solution of the Court House question.

But recently we found it absolutely necessary to cleanse the rooms. We have caused all wood-work to be washed, colored the entry walls, and painted to some extent. We have made a great improvement, but much more is demanded. The Assembly room is now clean, and with the new floor forms a tolerable place for public gatherings. We believe that by the expenditure of a comparatively small sum, substantial advantages can be secured.

The city ought to occupy the whole building, and the As-

sembly room should be made attractive and convenient for the people, whose property it is.

As for the new Court House, it should be in a structure built specially for that purpose, and located where a majority of the people who pay for it desire it.

JOSEPH B. QUAID,

S. W. HATCH,

Joint Standing Committee

on Lands and Buildings.

Dover, Dec. 31, 1883.

REPORT

OF THE

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE

ON SCHOOL HOUSES.

To the Honorable City Councils of the City of Dover:

Your committee were surprised, soon after entering on their duties this year, to find that although an unexpended balance of \$16.06 of the appropriation for the repairs of school houses in 1882 remained on the City Treasurer's books, the whole appropriation, viz.: \$800, had actually been exhausted, and a further debt of \$924.85 incurred. Bills to this amount for work done in 1882 having been presented to and paid by the City in the beginning of 1883.

Of course these back bills had to be taken care of under the appropriation of March, 1883, and we asked for and received \$2200, of which only \$1,275.15 were available for this year's repairs. Our expenditures have necessarily been heavy; and on account of the work done at the Sawyer school house [amounting to \$651.80] we were obliged in the latter part of the year to ask an additional sum of \$372, making a total of \$1647.15 for this year's expenses. Of this sum we have \$19.08 left over, and there are no outstanding bills to our knowledge.

We found all the "out of town" school houses, excepting that at Garrison Hill, very much out of repair; windows, doors, blinds, furniture, and even the walls had been subjected to hard usage. The floors in some, notably the Upper Neck and

Back River houses, bore marked evidences of all the firewood having been split thereon. The privies, with scarcely an exception, were disgraceful, and not fit for children to enter.

All these school houses, excepting that at Long Hill [which was closed the greater part of the year] have been put in good condition. The larger outlays were as follows: New floors were laid in the Upper Neck and Back River houses, one half the roof of the Littleworth building was shingled and a new double privy made, and the Knox Marsh, Tolend and Littleworth houses were repainted.

The school houses in the city have been much better cared for, but their condition can be vastly improved. We have done all we could with the money at our disposal, but much remains to be accomplished.

At the Hurd street school house the openings to supply fresh[?] cold air to the furnaces were opposite to, and within a few feet of the entrances to the privy, so that there was constant danger at all times, with almost absolute certainty with wind from the northwest, of the foul air therefrom being taken into the school rooms. These cold air flues have been removed to as near the corners of the building as possible, thereby insuring a much purer supply of air. The fence around this lot was much out of repair and a part entirely gone. It has been thoroughly put in order.

The cause of the sickening odors which at times came up through the furnaces at the High School was discovered and remedied. Six furnace fire pots, viz.: four at the Sawyer, one at the High and one at the Locust street schools, were completely used up and replaced by new ones.

The lower room and the whole entry at School street have been replastered.

The largest expenditure was incurred at the Sawyer school. The sanitary condition of this building was exceedingly defective, and was beginning to cause a widespread alarm among parents.

All the water closets for the eight schools in this building

were in the western end of the cellar against the wall. Not more than a quarter part of them received direct light from the window. The remainder were lighted from the cellar, itself quite dark until the afternoon; a few were always dark. The drain was wholly inadequate to the work required of it.

The wood work was badly decayed. The only means of ventilation were the cellar windows, which were necessarily kept closed in winter, to prevent the water tanks from freezing, and the noxious gases rose into the halls and school rooms. A complete renovation was needed. Everything was taken out, and the cellar thoroughly cleaned. The closets were placed 12 feet from and facing the wall, so that all are well lighted. The wooden floor was replaced by cement. Each hopper is furnished with Albee patent ventilator connecting by pipes to flues in the chimney. A large cemented drain with a fall of one inch to five feet, was laid. This, besides being thoroughly trapped, is also connected with the ventilators, to avoid any danger of gas working into the cellar through the hopper traps. The outside drain from the cellar wall to the cesspool was wholly rebuilt, enlarged, and lowered to give more fall. Every part of the work is arranged so that it can be easily reached in case of obstruction, which, however, we are confident can only occur by the water supply giving out or through malice. Against the latter cause the janitor reports that he is obliged to be constantly on the watch.

Every bill has been paid, the outlay has been large, but one dangerous source of diphtheria and typhoid fever has been stopped. If the future City Government will make as liberal appropriations as this one, the sanitary condition of our school houses can be vastly improved and the buildings and grounds made an ornament to the City.

LEWIS B. LASKEY,	} Joint Standing Committee on School Houses.
JAMES W. BARTLETT,	
CHARLES T. MOULTON,	

REPORT
OF THE
JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
ON LAMPS AND LAMP POSTS.

GENTLEMEN:—No Standing Committee of the City Government labors under more difficulties in keeping within its appropriation than ours. But our predecessors have fared no better. It appears to us that the trouble comes about this way: The sum necessary for the maintenance of established lamps being calculated, only a small sum is added for changes, repairs and new posts. Now, if the Councils would consider that there must be a demand for additional lights every year, that new streets will be built upon, an appropriation could be made sufficient to pay all bills. At the beginning of the year we asked for such a sum, and remonstrated when lower figures were fixed upon. We were told, however, to "go-a-head and ask for more money, if-required;" an injunction which we have per force obeyed.

It is nothing but natural that committees should show more or less singleness of purpose—otherwise departments would suffer—but it is not necessary to cut down everything beside one's own. The Electric Light didn't come to stay. The conditions under which it was operated made it impossible to put an estimate on its worth for Dover.

We have listened to all persons interested, and considered all petitions, and have done the best we could.

Respectfully submitted for the Committee.

JOHN SCOTT.

Dover, January 1. 1884.

REPORT

OF THE

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

City of Dover in account with E. M. Swan.

Cash paid for support of County paupers to Dec.	
31, 1883,.....	\$2,643 77
Cash paid for support of City paupers to Dec. 31,	
1883,.....	1,973 20
	<hr style="width: 100%; border: 0.5px solid black;"/> \$4,616 97

CONTRA.

Cash paid by Strafford County,.....	\$2,643 77
Cash paid by City of Dover,.....	1,919 78
Amount due E. M. Swan,.....	53 42
	<hr style="width: 100%; border: 0.5px solid black;"/> \$4,616 97

We, the undersigned, have examined the accounts and vouchers of E. M. Swan, Overseer of the Poor, for the year ending December 31, 1883, and find the same correct; and we further find that the above balance of fifty-three and forty-two one hundredth dollars, on the above account, is due the said E. M. Swan.

JAMES E. LOTHROP,
PATRICK COSKER,
JOHN C. PRAY,
A. R. CLOUGH.

Dover, February 7, 1884.

REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE DOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY.

To the City Councils of the City of Dover :

The Trustees of the Dover Public Library herewith submit their First Annual Report, which is carried up to January 1, 1884. It has seemed best to us to first briefly outline the preliminary steps that have been taken to secure to the people of Dover a free Public Library,

For years one of the urgent wants of our city had been the establishment of such an institution ; the subject had been agitated by many sagacious and public spirited citizens, but still the project took no definite shape until the beginning of the year just past.

Mayor Lothrop's inaugural address, delivered Jan. 3, 1883, contained a strong appeal to the City Councils for immediate action. The time was ripe, and the City Councils responded with alacrity.

The City Councils met Jan. 4, 1883, and appointed a committee consisting of the Mayor, Alderman Quaid, and Messrs. Pray Hatch, and Moulton, to consider the recommendation of the Mayor in regard to a Public Library, to meet the Directors of the Dover Library, and report to the City Councils. This Committee submitted the following report, February 1, 1883 :

“ Gentlemen of the City Councils :—Your committee appointed to confer with the Dover Library relative to the establishment of a Public Library in the City of Dover, have at-

tended to their duty and beg leave to present the following report :

The stockholders of the Dover Library are ready and pleased to unite with the authorities of the City to establish a Public Library, and after mature consideration and conference have approved the following basis as being particularly practical and desirable.

FORM OF PLAN.

CONTRACT OF THE CITY OF DOVER

WITH THE

DOVER LIBRARY.

The Dover Library, to assist in the establishment of a Public Library in the City of Dover, in consideration of the conditions and stipulations hereinafter contained, does hereby grant and transfer to said City its Library, together with the funds in hand, to be the foundation of a Public Library, subject to the conditions following, which the said City of Dover, on its part, agrees to abide by and perform, namely—

SECTION 1. The said City shall, by appropriations or otherwise, provide for rooms, heat, light, salary of Librarian, and other necessary expenses of said Library, perpetually. It shall further appropriate for the year 1883, the sum of twenty-four hundred dollars, and annually thereafter one thousand dollars, and pay the same to the Trustees of said Library, to be expended in books, magazines, and binding the same, until said Library shall contain twenty (20) thousand volumes.

SEC. 2. The control of said Library, appointment of Librarian, and entire management of its affairs, shall be vested in a board of nine Trustees, of which the Mayor and President of the Common Council shall be members *ex officio*; and of the seven, four shall be elected by the stockholders of the Dover

Library, and three by the City Councils, to hold their offices 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 years, and shall determine by lot which shall hold for each of the said terms. Whenever a vacancy occurs by the expiration of either of these terms, or the term of any Trustee hereafter elected, it shall be filled by the joint ballot of the said Board of Trustees and the City Councils, and shall be for seven years. Any vacancy from any other cause shall be filled in the same manner, but only for the unexpired term of the Trustee whose place is thus filled.

SEC. 3. No member of the City Councils shall be eligible as a Trustee, except as before stated.

SEC. 4. The board of Trustees shall establish all regulations relating to the Library, and purchase and use of books, and may prosecute in the name and at the expense of the City, any persons who may violate any of said regulations. They shall report annually to the City the state of the Library, and render an account of all the expenditures of all funds entrusted to their disposal.

SEC. 5. All members of the Dover Library living outside the City of Dover, shall have the same rights and privileges in the Public Library as residents of said City.

SEC. 6. This contract shall take effect and be in force so soon as the City Councils and Dover Library, being duly authorized by statute, shall duly execute the same under the seal of said City and of said Dover Library, by committees duly authorized for that purpose.

This plan or basis, gentlemen, in our judgment, will establish a Public Library in our City, on a sure and solid foundation, which will command the entire confidence of all, and ensure bequests and endowments from benevolent persons and friends of the Institution, and earnestly recommend its accept-

ance. And we further recommend the passage of the following resolution :

[Signed.]

JAMES E. LOTHROP,
JOHN C. PRAY,
S. W. HATCH,
CHARLES T. MOULTON.

It was voted unanimously to accept the report, and the following resolution also passed unanimously :

Resolved, by the City Councils of the City of Dover :

That the provisions of the Report on a Public Library are satisfactory, and in the judgment of these Councils ought to be and hereby are adopted on the part of the City of Dover. That the sum of twenty-four hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the current year's expenses, as set forth in Sec. 1 of the report of the Joint Special Committee on a Public Library, submitted this evening, and that when the terms of Sec. 6 of said report have been complied with, the Committee on Claims shall audit and allow orders on such appropriation in the same manner as against other Departments of the City.

The act of Legislature establishing the Dover Public Library became a law August 2, 1883. This act is as follows :—

An Act providing for the Establishment of the Dover Public Library.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened.

SEC. 1.—The stockholders of the Dover Library are hereby authorized to transfer the library, funds, and other property of the Dover Library to the City of Dover, to constitute the foundation of the Dover Public Library.

SEC. 2.—The control of said Dover Public Library, the appointment of Librarian, the determination of the salary of the Librarian, and the entire management of the affairs of the library, shall be vested in a board of nine trustees, of which

the Mayor and President of the Common Council shall be members *ex-officio*, and of the seven, four shall be elected by the Stockholders of the Dover Library and three by the City Councils, to hold their offices one, two, three, four, five, six and seven years, and shall determine by lot which shall hold for each of the said terms. Whenever a vacancy occurs by the expiration of either of these terms, or the term of any trustee hereafter elected, it shall be filled by the joint ballot of the said board of trustees and the City Councils, and shall be for seven years. Any vacancy from any other cause shall be filled in the same manner, but only for the unexpired term of the trustee whose place is thus filled.

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SEC. 5.—All Stockholders of the Dover Library living outside the City of Dover, shall have the same rights and privileges in the Dover Public Library as residents of said City.

SEC. 6.—The Dover Public Library shall be open to the free use of every inhabitant of the City, subject to such rules and regulations as may be established by the Trustees.

SEC. 7.—The City Councils of Dover are hereby authorized to make such contract with the Dover Library as they may deem expedient, obligating the City, in consideration of the receipt of the property of the Dover Library, to permanently maintain and suitably equip the Dover Public Library.

SEC. 8.—This act shall take effect on its passage.

The City Councils accepted the Act Sept. 20, 1883, and appointed the Mayor and the President of the Common Council a committee to execute the contract with the Dover Library, in behalf of the City of Dover. At the same meeting the following gentlemen were elected Trustess as provided by Section 2 of the act :

JOSHUA L. FOSTER,
JOHN T. WELCH,
MARTIN S. HUTCHINGS.

The Stockholders of the Dover Library voted Sept. 4, 1883, to give the Directors, or a majority of them, authority to transfer books and other property to the City of Dover for Library purposes, and at a meeting held Sept. 18, 1883, accepted the act of Legislature and elected the following gentlemen Trustees of the Dover Public Library, as provided by Section 2 of the Act :

ZIMRI S. WALLINGFORD,
JOSHUA G. HALL,
JEREMIAH SMITH,
THOMAS B. GARLAND.

The Contract between the City of Dover and the Dover Library were signed Sept. 24, 1883, by the Committee of the City Councils and by a majority of the Directors of the Dover Library.

The first meeting of the Trustees of the Dover Public Library was held Oct. 13, 1883. The length of the terms of the several Trustees was determined by lot as provided by Section 2 of the Act of Legislature, and a temporary organization was effected. The Mayor was authorized to receipt for the property of the Dover Library and on Oct. 24, 1883, all property and funds of the Dover Library were turned over to the Mayor by the Treasurer of the Dover Library.

Oct. 24, 1883, the Trustees of the Dover Public Library adopted By-Laws for the government of the Board of Trustees, and Rules and Regulations for the proper conduct of the

Library. The President, Secretary and Standing Committees were elected as follows, to serve until the last Monday in January, 1884:

President—JAMES E. LOTHROP.

Secretary—JOHN T. WELCH.

Committee on Library—JEREMIAH SMITH, THOMAS B. GARLAND, MARTIN S. HUTCHINGS, JOSHUA L. FOSTER, ZIMRI S. WALLINGFORD.

Committee on Building and Appurtenances—ZIMRI S. WALLINGFORD, JOHN C. PRAY, JOSHUA G. HALL.

Committee on Finance and Accounts—JAMES E. LOTHROP, JOHN C. PRAY, JOSHUA L. FOSTER.

Thomas B. Garland was chosen Librarian, to hold office during the pleasure of the Board, and his salary fixed at \$750. per annum, "out of which he shall pay for all assistants and all janitorial labor."

The Committee on Library, under the direction of the Board of Trustees, proceeded at once to purchase books, papers, magazines, and everything necessary for the equipment of the Library. The Cocheco Manufacturing Company, through its Agent, Mr. Wallingford, having generously placed at our disposal the old quarters of the Dover Library, rent free, the Committee on Building and Appurtenances wasted no time in properly furnishing the room, and in making such improvements as the greater demands of the present Library required. The Library room has been divided, so far as we have been able to carry out the plan, into two parts—one for library purposes and one for a reading room, but the accommodations, we fear, are far too limited to successfully answer either purpose, and borrowers of books, as well as those who visit the Reading Room, will undoubtedly be subjected to great inconvenience.

The old library contained 3,440 volumes, which we have catalogued, besides a lot of Public Documents, and some other books not now regarded as valuable for circulating purposes. We have added to the library 1,168 new books, making the

present number of books in the library, exclusive of Public Documents, 4,608. A card catalogue by titles and by authors, has been made of these 4,608 volumes. The Reading Room will have on file 37 magazines and papers, and the Reference Library numbers 207 volumes of valuable reference books in every branch of literature.

December 20, 1876, William N. Andrews, Esq., a well known merchant and highly respected citizen of Dover, died, bequeathing to the Dover Library the sum of \$2000. This sum, with its accumulations, was turned over to the Trustees of the Dover Public Library, October 24, 1883, by James W. Bartlett, who was trustee of this fund, for the benefit of the Dover Library, and no part of it has been appropriated by the Trustees. At present it amounts to \$2,468.58. The expenditures on account of the Dover Public Library, up to January 1, 1884, have been as follows:—

For Books,.....	\$1,653 00
“ Salary of Librarian,.....	129 80
“ Furniture and Repairs,	172 95
“ Fuel,.....	15 00
“ Incidentals,.....	180 48
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	\$2,151 23

Under the head of “Incidentals” are included expenditures for printing and stationery, various supplies, etc., the vouchers for every item being on file in the office of the City Clerk.

It was the intention of the Trustees to open the Library January 1, 1884, if possible, but we soon found that there was too much preparatory work to be done to successfully commence operations at that time. It was therefore voted to throw open the doors on the 14th day of January, 1884, which seemed to be the earliest practicable date.

In conclusion, gentlemen, we would bespeak a continuance on the part of the present City Government, of the same lib-

eral policy toward our Public Library which has characterized your immediate predecessors.

Yours respectfully,

JAMES E. LOTHROP,

JOHN C. PRAY,

T. B. GARLAND,

JOSHUA G. HALL,

Z. S. WALLINGFORD.

MARTIN S. HUTCHINGS,

JOHN T. WELCH,

JEREMIAH SMITH,

JOSHUA L. FOSTER.

It will be seen that the Trustees' report is made up only to the first day of January, 1884, but at this date, February 11, 1884, it is possible to give a few additional facts. The Library was opened to the public January 14, 1884, and since that time 1,244 persons have registered their names as borrowers of books, and 4,605 books have been borrowed; the first week's circulation having been 1,001, the second 1,177, the third 1,203, and the fourth 1,224.

The Reference Library has not been used as much as it would have been had there been more room to properly consult its contents. The Reading Room has been full most of the time, and often there has not been room for those who wanted to make use of the magazines and papers. It is evident there must soon be an enlargement of the Library itself, its accommodations and its expenses.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

VALUATION AND TAXES.

1883.

To the City Councils of the City of Dover:

GENTLEMEN :—The following report shows the financial condition of the City of Dover, so far as the same relates to the Assessors' department.

		1883.		1882.	
Total Valuation of City.		\$8,283,648		\$8,194,070.	
No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
No. and value of Horses,	963	\$84,495	1002	\$86,152	
“ “ Oxen,	105	7,741	104	6,762	
“ “ Cows,	768	26,986	810	24,609	
“ “ Other cattle,	222	6,350	188	4,177	
“ “ Sheep,	338	1,370	316	1,112	
“ “ Carriages,	259	27,477	266	26,175	
Value of Money & Bank Stock,		642,721		691,299	
“ Stock in Trade,		1,234,766		1,173,189	
“ Factories & Machinery,		1,179,250		1,148,710	
No. and value of Polls,	2991	299,100	2904	290,400	

		1883.		1882.	
Gain in Taxable Property,.....	\$89,578	00	\$618,690	00	
Total Tax,.....	124,742	72	115,206	98	
Rate per cent. on \$1000,.....	15	00	14	00	

	1883.	1884.
State Tax,.....	\$17,660 00	\$18,700 00
County Tax,.....	20,762 79	21,480 43
School Tax, by State Law,.....	15,452 50	16,362 50
“ “ by City,.....	4,998 50	3,552 37
City Tax,.....	65,400 93	63,312 63

	1882.	1883.
Dog Tax,.....	475	486

R. R. shares in New Hampshire Railroads,	No. shares.
Boston, Concord & Montreal R. R.	36
Boston & Maine,.....	3742
Dover & Winnipisseogee.	1016
Eastern in New Hampshire,.....	16
Fitchburg,.....	31
Manchester & Lawrence,.....	51
Northern,.....	190
Portland & Rochester,.....	16
Nashua & Worcester,.....	15
Portsmouth & Dover,.....	3132

Whole number,.....	8245
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1883.

VALUATION AND TAX BY WARDS AND CORPORATIONS.

Wards.	No. of Polls	Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Property.	Total Value of Real and Personal Estate.	Total Tax by Wards.	Dog Tax
One	455	808,338	248,594	1,056,932	15,853.98	
Two	688	1,110,192	292,586	1,402,778	21,041.67	
Three	622	1,102,922	348,344	1,446,266	21,693.99	
Four	788	1,269,710	544,108	1,813,818	27,207.27	
Five	438	183,322	70,532	253,854	3,807.81	
C. Mfg Co.		1,271,000	610,600	1,881,600	28,224.00	
Sawyer Mls.		206,100	222,300	428,400	6,426.00	
1883	2991	5,951,584	2,332,064	8,283,648	124,254.72	488
1882	2904	5,889,067	2,305,000	8,194,070	114,716.98	475

PERSONAL PROPERTY BY WARDS, ETC.

Wards.	Money and Bank stock.	Stock in Trade.	No. Horses	No. Oxen	No. Cows.	Other Cattle	Sheep.	No. Hogs	No. Carriages over \$50 in Value.
One	116,880	50,994	184	42	198	80	206	46	52
Two	76,466	118,638	215	6	98	10		8	46
Three	157,800	91,044	209	16	128	44	63	16	72
Four	288,074	126,144	221	41	331	94	60	20	74
Five	4,300	20,350	21		3	1			4
C. M. Co.		610,300	2						
S. Mills		216,500	11						8

SCHOOL CHILDREN BETWEEN 5 AND 15 YEARS OF AGE, TAKEN
BY THE ASSESSORS IN APRIL.

	1883.		1882.	
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.
Ward 1,.....	158	148	158	152
" 2,.....	171	182	194	212
" 3,.....	138	154	164	171
" 4,.....	294	269	314	280
" 5,.....	198	188	219	196
Total.....	959	941	1049	1011

SOLDIERS IN THE CITY AS TAKEN BY THE ASSESSORS IN APRIL,
BETWEEN 18 AND 45 YEARS OF AGE. CITIZENS LIABLE TO
MILITARY DUTY.

	1883.	1882.
Ward 1.....	290	293
" 2.....		432
" 3.....		411
" 4.....	499	497
" 5.....	302	86

WARDS:	HORSES.		COWS.		SHEEP.		CARRIAGES.	
	1883.	1882.	1883.	1882.	1883.	1882.	1883.	1882.
1	90.46	89.45	32.50	29.53	4.27	3.25	103.73	97.70
2	90.05	93.17	35.26	30.22		4.00	105.67	95.77
3	86.82	79.88	36.87	30.89	4.00	3.71	94.83	86.40
4	85.44	84.04	36.91	30.65	3.96	3.82	123.26	109.74
5	78.38	80.66	33.33	32.00			71.50	80.00
AVERAGE IN CITY	87.63	85.98	35.52	30.38	4.16	3.52	107.30	98.40

ESTIMATED TOTAL VALUATION, APPRAISED VALUE OF RAILROAD STOCK, RIGHT OF WAY, AND BUILDINGS TAXABLE AND APPRAISED BY THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION IN 1879, IN SOME OF THE LARGEST PLACES IN THIS STATE.

Railroads.	Total Valuation.	
Concord,.....	\$1,453,885	\$13,126,480
Manchester,.....	1,047,433	21,234,351
Dover,.....	657,796	9,535,710
Nashua,.....	652,656	10,287,996
Portsmouth,.....	388,142	8,485,115
Laconia,.....	73,241	2,041,030
Keene,.....	310,107	7,721,268
Rochester,.....	93,035	3,115,993
Somersworth,.....	37,915	3,069,218
Durham,.....	76,547	847,957
Farmington,.....	31,696	1,331,673
Lee,.....	47,660	456,382

EACH TOWN OF STRAFFORD COUNTY, 1882.

NUMBER, VALUE AND AVERAGE PER HEAD OF HORSES, CATTLE AND SHEEP IN

Towns.	Horses.		Average per head.		Oxen.		Average per head.		Cows.		Average per head.		Other neat stock.		Average per head.		Sheep.		Average per head.	
	No.	Value			No.	Value			No.	Value			No.	Value			No.	Value		
Barrington,	353	18,338	51.93	211	12,413	58.83	613	16,986	27.71	294	8,359	28.43	338	1,020	3.02	338	1,020	3.02	338	1,020
Dover,	1012	86,158	85.13	102	6,694	65.63	820	24,787	30.23	184	4,061	22.07	309	1,112	3.59	309	1,112	3.59	309	1,112
Durham,	202	10,776	53.36	131	7,362	56.20	427	9,680	22.67	104	1,742	16.75	392	1,306	3.33	392	1,306	3.33	392	1,306
Farmington,	422	25,545	60.53	120	7,531	62.75	578	12,704	21.98	386	9,699	25.13	433	1,239	2.86	433	1,239	2.86	433	1,239
Lee,	210	9,744	46.40	134	7,148	53.34	403	10,048	24.98	116	2,880	21.38	817	3,194	3.91	817	3,194	3.91	817	3,194
Madbury,	125	7,060	56.40	58	3,695	63.71	214	5,155	24.08	104	1,987	19.11	390	1,480	3.79	390	1,480	3.79	390	1,480
Middleton,	60	2,688	44.80	62	3,077	49.73	106	2,169	20.46	116	2,377	20.51	131	351	2.68	131	351	2.68	131	351
Milton,	253	14,571	57.59	131	8,122	62.00	378	9,459	25.00	235	3,526	15.00	406	1,263	3.11	406	1,263	3.11	406	1,263
New Durham,	180	8,920	49.55	150	7,690	51.27	250	6,300	25.20	255	4,021	15.77	184	495	2.69	184	495	2.69	184	495
Rochester,	580	27,317	47.15	160	6,039	37.75	827	19,456	23.52	346	7,527	21.75	501	1,411	2.81	501	1,411	2.81	501	1,411
Rollinsford,	165	16,770	101.63	36	2,650	73.61	354	12,675	35.80	6	175	29.02	38	114	3.00	38	114	3.00	38	114
Somersworth,	382	30,602	80.11	10	776	77.60	219	6,282	28.68	2	50	25.00	21	76	3.62	21	76	3.62	21	76
Strafford,	312	17,640	56.54	240	13,320	55.50	602	13,504	22.43	682	15,063	23.55	870	2,617	3.00	870	2,617	3.00	870	2,617
Totals,	4256	276,161	64.88	1545	86,517	55.93	5791	149,114	25.75	2830	60,967	21.54	4830	15,678	3.25	4830	15,678	3.25	4830	15,678

RECAPITULATION BY COUNTIES, SHOWING AVERAGE VALUE OF HORSES, CATTLE AND SHEEP.

Counties.	Horses.			Oxen.			Cows.			Other neat stock.			Sheep.		
	No.	Value	A'ge	No.	Value	A'ge	No.	Value	A'ge	No.	Value	A'ge	No.	Value	A'ge
Rockingham.	7,822	454,770	5 14	2,736	144,610	53 04	13,150	325,884	24 78	3,644	59,466	16 32	6,718	22,794	3 39
Stratford.	4,256	276,161	64 88	1,545	86,515	55 93	5,791	140,114	25 75	2,830	60,067	21 54	4,830	15,078	3 25
Belknap.	2,996	168,717	56 52	2,113	113,619	53 77	5,258	120,767	22 96	5,032	97,602	19 39	8,493	28,635	3 36
Carroll.	3,817	196,295	51 43	3,525	153,285	43 48	6,144	127,262	20 71	5,800	103,475	19 56	7,530	23,446	3 11
Merrimack.	7,571	464,111	61 30	3,893	216,178	55 43	12,161	289,619	23 82	9,432	173,245	18 36	30,598	82,207	2 68
Hillsborough.	8,949	606,467	67 77	2,401	131,661	56 08	16,406	440,594	26 55	6,357	114,279	17 97	9,206	28,568	3 10
Cheshire.	5,472	366,936	67 06	1,968	121,506	61 74	8,587	248,517	28 94	6,081	135,974	22 36	28,721	89,474	3 12
Sullivan.	4,189	239,787	57 24	1,818	97,676	51 39	6,833	158,383	33 21	5,735	109,266	19 05	40,580	108,555	2 67
Grafton.	8,975	508,556	56 66	4,332	211,722	48 82	14,540	332,219	22 85	12,875	209,641	16 2	74,825	201,943	2 69
Coos.	4,919	257,940	52 40	1,625	71,474	43 79	7,082	143,293	20 23	5,477	88,963	16 41	17,869	51,259	2 87
Totals, 1882.	58,906	3,539,770	60 03	25,362	1,350,378	54 03	95,942	2,335,722	24 35	62,263	1,152,858	18 22	229,376	652,469	2 85
Totals, 1881.	59,447	3,389,790	57 02	26,751	1,258,129	47 03	96,574	2,226,486	23 05	63,142	1,024,916	16 23	229,019	630,175	2 84

Increase of aggregate valuation of live stock over that of 1881, \$481,600.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JAMES H. DAVIS,

For the Assessors of the City of Dover.

NUMBER RATEABLE POLLS, VALUATION AND AMOUNT OF TAXES AND RATE OF

TAXATION IN EACH TOWN AS RETURNED BY THE ASSESSORS

OF STRAFFORD COUNTY, 1882.

Towns.	Polls.	Money.	All Other Personal.	Real Estate.	Total Inventory.	Amount of Taxes.	Rate per ct
Barrington,	438	\$27,967	\$78,711	\$ 410,931	\$561,409	\$10,355.00	2.
Dover,	2,904	684,449	1,329,364	5,889,867	8,194,070	114,716.98	1.40
Durham,	232	118,113	41,973	359,734	543,920	5,950.00	1.10
Farmington,	861	36,871	114,058	820,759	1,057,788	23,874.39	2.26
Lee,	190	64,342	42,208	227,304	352,854	4,381.15	1.25
Madbury,	111	40,635	21,648	176,960	250,283	2,952.64	1.18
Middleton,	80	1,166	14,522	88,965	112,683	4,394.64	3.90
Milton,	398	18,803	60,522	360,715	479,840	7,317.17	1.53
New Durham,	234	3,940	34,769	212,623	274,732	10,577.29	3.85
Rochester,	1,690	180,797	292,279	1,881,969	2,524,015	40,671.42	1.61
Rollinsford,	413	134,878	86,577	874,142	1,136,897	9,891.00	.87
Somersworth,	1,195	241,262	292,226	2,014,834	2,667,822	46,502.15	1.74
Strafford,	384	11,375	67,670	420,841	538,286	13,578.03	2.53
Totals,	9,130	1,565,598	\$2,476,557	\$13,739,644	\$18,693,729	\$295,162.06	1.58

ASSESSORS' OFFICE, }
Dover, N. H., Jan. 10, 1884. }

To the City Councils of the City of Dover:

GENTLEMEN:—We have examined the books of the Assessors and Collector for the years 1878 and 1879, and report as follows:

For the year 1878 the amount to be raised for

State, County, City and School tax was...	\$114,652 32
Dog Tax for 1878.....	512 00
Interest, Collector in 1878.....	668 03
Added list.....	3 00
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	\$115,835 35

Of the one hundred and fifteen thousand eight hundred and thirty-five and thirty-five one-hundredths dollars to be collected in 1878, we find that the Collector paid to the City Treasurer in 1878, the sum of.....

	\$75,330 00
In 1879.....	30,735 00
1880.....	5,000 00
1881.....	600 00
Collector's salary for 1878.....	900 00
Abatements " "	3,225 08
Balance due the City... ..	45 27
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	\$115,835 35

For the year 1879 the amount to be raised for

State, County, City, and School tax was	\$111,457 23
Dog tax for the year 1879.....	409 00
Interest collected in 1879.....	640 28
Added list " "	23 50
Due the Collector, over paid.....	48 00
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	\$112,628 09

Of the one hundred and twelve thousand six hundred twenty-eight and nine one hundredths dollars to be collected in 1879, we find that the Collector paid to the City Treasurer in the year 1879.....		\$77,168 00
In 1880.....		26,850 00
1881.....		4,650 00
1882.....		250 00
Collector's salary in 1879.....		900 00
Abatements " "		2,810 09
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		\$112,628 09

DOVER, N. H., January 10, 1884.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that the above is a true statement according to the reports of the City Treasurer, as published in the City Reports, together with the warrants and books of the Assessors and Collectors for the years 1878 and 1879, and find there is a balance due Joseph Hayes from the City of Dover on account of the collection of taxes for the years of 1878 and 1879, the sum of two and eighty-one one hundredths dollars..... \$2.81

MICAJAH S. HANSCOM, Ward 1.

N. C. HOBBS, " 3.

JAMES H. DAVIS, " 4.

THOMAS GARVEY. " 5.

JOHN S. GLASS, at Large.

JAMES E. LOTHROP, Mayor,

Committee for the City Councils.

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

1883-84.

MEMBERSHIP.

	<i>Term expires.</i>
Ward 1—JAMES A. RINES,	January, 1885
HARRY HOUGH,	" 1884
Ward 2—ALONZO H. QUINT,	" 1885
THOMAS B. GARLAND,	" 1884
Ward 3—CHARLES A. FAIRBANKS,	" 1885
JOHN B. STEEVNS, JR.,	" 1884
Ward 4—CHARLES A. TUFTS,	" 1885
THOMAS J. SMITH,	" 1884
Ward 5—JAMES QUINN.	" 1885
ANDREW McGUINNESS,	" 1884
At large—GEORGE J. FOSTER,	" 1885
J. COLBY CAVERLY,	" 1885
CHARLES K. HARTFORD,	" 1884
THADDEUS P. CRESSEY,	" 1884

ANNUAL MEETING.—The second Wednesday in January, at eleven o'clock, A. M.

STATED MEETINGS.—The second Thursday in each month, at half past seven o'clock, P. M.

ORGANIZATION FOR 1883-4.

ALONZO H. QUINT, 11 Second street, Chairman.

JOHN B. STEVENS, JR, 75 Washington street, Secretary.

SUB COMMITTEES.

Qualifications of Teachers.—Quint, Stevens, Tufts, Quinn, Smith, Foster.

Finance and Claims.—Hough, Garland, Fairbanks, Cressey, McGuinness.

Health.—Fairbanks, Tufts, Garland.

Music.—Cressey, Rines, Caverly.

Text-Books.—Smith, McGuinness, Hartford.

High School.—Quint, Foster, Fairbanks, Tufts, McGuinness, Garland.

Sawyer Grammar School.—Garland, Hough, Quinn.

Belknap Grammar School.—Tufts, Caverly, Cressey.

School street and St. Thomas street Grammar Schools.—Rines, Quinn, Stevens.

Sawyer and Locust street Primary Schools.—Foster, Hartford, Smith.

Hurd street and St. Thomas street Primary Schools.—Quinn, Rines, Hough.

Washington street and School street Primary Schools.—McGuinness, Fairbanks, Hartford.

Evening School.—Caverly, Stevens, Rines.

Tolend, Long Hill, Upper-Factory, Black-Water and Garrison Hill Schools.—Hartford, Foster, Hough.

Littleworth, Knox Marsh, Upper-Neck, Back River, and Lower-Neck Schools.—Cressey, Smith, Caverly.

Superintendent of Schools.—CHANNING FOLSOM,, Locust street, near Silver. Office—Bracewell Block, Room 7. Office hours, 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ A. M., and 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ P. M.

Janitors.—George H. Smith, 55 Franklin street, for the North side. George H. Patterson, 22 Atkinson street, for the South side.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

1884-85.

MEMBERS.

	<i>Term Expires.</i>
Ward 1—HARRY HOUGH,	January, 1886
JAMES A. RINES,	" 1885
Ward 2—THOMAS B. GARLAND,	" 1886
ALONZO H. QUINT,	" 1885
Ward 3—WILLIAM H. VICKERY,	" 1886
CHARLES A. FAIRBANKS,	" 1885
Ward 4—THOMAS J. W. PRAY,	" 1886
CHARLES A. TUFTS,	" 1885
Ward 5—FRANK KAY,	" 1886
JAMES QUINN,	" 1885
Chosen by the City Councils.	
GEORGE J. FOSTER,	Ward 1, " 1885
OLIVER J. CLARK,	Ward 2, " 1886
J. COLBY CAVERLY,	Ward 3, " 1885
THADDEUS P. CRESSEY,	Ward 4, " 1886
JASON W. DRAKE,	Ward 5, " 1885

Annual Meeting.—The second Wednesday in January, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

Stated Meetings.—The second Thursday in each month, at half-past seven o'clock, p. m.

ORGANIZATION FOR 1884-85.

ALONZO H. QUINT, 11 Second Street, Chairman.

CHARLES A. FAIRBANKS, 22 Central Street, Secretary.

SUB COMMITTEES.

Qualifications of Teachers—Quint, Tufts, Quinn, Rines, Caverly Fairbanks.

Finance and Claims—Hough, Garland, Cressey, Drake, Foster.

Health—Pray, Drake, Tufts.

Music—Cressey, Tufts, Clark.

Text Books—Caverly, Kay, Garland.

High School—Quint, Foster, Garland, Pray, Quinn, Vickery.

Sawyer Grammar School—Rines, Hough, Quinn.

Belknap Grammar School—Tufts, Vickery, Pray.

Sherman Grammar School—Garland, Kay, Caverly.

Sawyer Primary School—Foster, Hough, Vickery.

Peirce Primary School—Vickery, Rines, Hough.

Varney Primary School—Kay, Clark, Fairbanks.

Hale Primary and Pine Hill Schools—Cressey, Pray, Kay.

Tolend, Long Hill, and Blackwater Schools—Clark, Foster, Rines.

Garrison Hill and Upper Factory Schools—Fairbanks, Cressey, Clark.

Littleworth, Knox Marsh, and Back River Schools—Quinn, Caverly, Drake.

Lower Neck and Upper Neck Schools—Drake, Fairbanks, Cressey.

Evening School—Caverly, Quinn, Clark.

Superintendent of Schools—CHANNING FOLSOM: Residence

Locust street, near Silver. Office, Bracewell's Block. Office hours, 8.15 to 8.45 a. m., and 12.30 to 1.15 p. m.

Janitors.—George H. Smith, 55 Franklin street, for the north side. George H. Patterson, 22 Atkinson street, for the south side.

REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS.

[Accepted December 31, 1883, and ordered to be printed January 25, 1884.]

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Finance and Claims having been directed by the School Committee at its meeting held the thirteenth (13th) of the present month to audit the account of its financial agent for such past years as had not been audited, and also to audit the accounts from the first of April last to the end of the present month, so as to close the accounts with December 31, respectfully reports:

It has audited the accounts as directed, from April 1, 1881, when the present financial agent entered upon his office, and finds the same correctly kept and properly vouched for.

For this period the amount of appropriations by the city, and other sources of income has been, \$87,965.85; the amount actually drawn by the Committee has been \$82,814.85; the amount actually expended has been \$82,855.77, divided as follows:

Salaries.....	\$68,312 60
Care of rooms.....	4,230 26

Fuel.....	5,816 37
Repairs.....	1,061 31
Books, Printing, and Stationery.....	1,724 35
Incidentals.....	1,586 08
Miscellaneous.....	14 80
Special.....	110 00

\$82,855 77

The difference between the amount drawn and the amount paid out by the financial agent leaves as due to said agent the sum of \$40.92.

The accounts would show a surplus but for the facts that the amount received within the present month from the Literary fund was unexpectedly less by \$34.21 than the amount received in the preceding year; and that the city required the School Committee to fit the Ward 4 ward-room for school purposes at an expense of \$79.65, instead of charging it to the appropriation for Lands and Buildings, where it properly belongs.

It is believed that every bill against the School Committee up to the present date has been presented and paid.

The difference between the amount of appropriations and the amount actually drawn being \$5,151.00, is the amount which the School Committee did not draw from the city treasury for the first three months of the calendar year 1881.

Up to that time, the appropriations had been applied to the twelve months beginning with April, but for the first quarter of the year 1881, the balance was left in the City Treasury and the appropriation made in 1881 was applied to the expenses of the entire calendar year.

The appropriations have been applied in the same way in the years 1882 and 1883. It is evident that it is very desirable that the School financial year should correspond precisely with the city financial year.

HARRY HOUGH,	} Com. on Finance and Claims.
T. B. GARLAND,	
CHAS. A. FAIRBANKS,	
ANDREW MCGUINNESS,	
T. P. CRESSEY,	

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, }
January 25, 1884. }

Voted, to adopt Report of Superintendent of Schools as the Annual Report of the School Committee for 1883.

CHARLES A. FAIRBANKS, Secretary.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

July 1, 1883.

To the School Committee of the City of Dover:

In conformity with the rules of the School Committee, I submit my report upon the condition of the schools under my supervision for the school year ending July 1, 1883, it being my second annual report.

In April, 1882, according to the enumeration made by the Assessors, there were in the City:

Boys,.....	1049
Girls,.....	1011
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	2060

By the Assessors' enumeration, April, 1883, there were:

Boys,.....	959
Girls,.....	941
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	1900

Whole number of different pupils enrolled during
the school year,.....1948
Average number enrolled,.....1548

Average enrollment compared with total enrollment, per cent,.....	79
Average attendance, daily,.....	1382
Average attendance compared with average enrollment, per cent,.....	89
Number of tardinesses in the schools were :	
High,.....	312
Grammar,.....	671
Primary,.....	1398
Ungraded,	807
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	3188
Number of visits made by the Superintendent during the year,.....	
	585
Number of visits made by members of the committee,.....	
	140
Number of visits made by parents and other citizens,	
	1337
Number of school buildings in use,.....	17
Number of teachers in day schools,.....	42
Evening school,.....	4
Teacher of music,.....	1
Length of schools :	
High school, weeks,.....	38
Grammar schools,.....	36
Primary and Ungraded Schools,.....	35
Evening school,.....	12

STATE LAWS.

Since my last annual report I have made an earnest effort to enforce the state law relating to the employment of children by manufacturing establishments.

But the subject is attended by many difficulties imperfectly understood by the uninitiated. I presume that there are to-day from fifty to one hundred children under sixteen years

of age employed in the cotton mills of this city contrary to the provisions of the law.

While I am aware that this statement may lay me liable to the charge of neglecting your directions "to enforce the law strictly," I have thought it wise to proceed with moderation and secure, if possible, the co-operation of the overseers and other employers of children, within the prescribed age.

The authorities in the Print Works have given me their assistance, and I believe that few, if any, are now employed there without the required certificate of school attendance. I have no doubt that the discharge of all children employed in the City without such certificates, would cause some suffering and pauperism. There are some families dependent upon the scanty earnings of children from ten to sixteen years of age; and were this source of revenue stopped, they must depend upon public or private charity for support. There are many cases of alleged poverty, in which the laziness, drunkenness, or avarice of the parent is the true cause of keeping the children at work; but it would be very difficult, and well nigh impossible, to distinguish between the different classes, even if the law authorized any discrimination,

The difficulties are increased by the indifference or opposition of some of the parties interested, who apparently prefer to keep experienced help rather than to subject themselves to the vexation of constantly occurring changes and of training new hands; by the frequent change of residence among the mill operatives (caused, it is claimed by some, by the attempted enforcement of the law in this city), and by the determination of many parents that their children shall have the least possible amount of schooling. Notwithstanding the difficulties referred to, some progress has been made during the year.

During the six months ending with this date, I have given one hundred and fifty-four (154) certificates allowing the employment of children, and have made a record in each case showing:

1. Date when given.

2. Name of the applicant.
3. Name of the parent or guardian.
4. Residence.
5. School last attended, the class and the name of the teacher.
6. Date of the last attendance.
7. Employer's name.
8. Date upon which the child holding the certificate should return to school.

A copy of the blank certificate used accompanies this report.

In addition to the laws relating to manufacturing establishments, there is also a law of the State holding parents responsible, under certain penalties, for the attendance at school of all children from eight to fourteen years of age. I do not find that any attention has ever been paid to this enactment, and it is disregarded with impunity every year,

Copies of all these laws accompany this report.

In this connection, I repeat my recommendation of one year ago that a truant officer be employed not connected with the police force of the city. The duties of this officer are numerous, and must be promptly performed if he is to be of any value to the city. The truant stands in no awe of a system which searches him out after he has become weary of his truancy and has returned to school of his own accord. The proper enforcement of the various laws relating to truancy, absenteeism, and the employment of children, requires the active aid during every day of the school year, of a discreet, judicious officer, with a direct responsibility to the School Committee.

TEXT BOOKS.

The annual tax for books and other supplies made necessary by the progress and promotion of the various classes, is very burdensome to the head of a large family of children. In the case of a man of small income this tax is often the argument which determines the length of the child's school life. The

law requires that in case of neglect or refusal to buy books, on the part of any parent or guardian, that the same shall be purchased by the city, and that the amount expended shall be added to the next tax bill, if the parent is able to pay the same. Under this law, and in accordance with your instructions, I have supplied all destitute pupils with the required books, and have furnished to the Assessors a complete list of such books, and the cost of the same.

In many towns and cities in New England, all text-books are furnished free. We already furnish ink, crayon, examination paper, and supplementary reading books. Fall River, Lewiston, Lowell, and Woburn, are among the places in which the free text-book plan prevails. So far as I can learn, the people are satisfied. This method necessitates a comparatively large appropriation at first, but the books being in charge of the teachers, who are held responsible for them, can be used by several successive classes, and last much longer than when owned by the pupils. The burden is transferred from individuals, many of whom are unable to bear it, and others of whom shirk it as far as possible, to the public. The actual cost of the books and other supplies furnished under this system would of course be much less than at present, as everything could be bought at wholesale prices, which are considerably less than retail prices. For your information on this subject I will speak further of Lewiston, Maine, which has had an experience of eleven years with the free text-book system. The population of Lewiston, in 1870, was 13,600. The first year of free books, the expense of all text-books, stationery, etc., from the Primary School to the High School inclusive, was \$2,563.50. For the five years ending with 1882, the average yearly expense for each scholar was 76 2-5 cents. These statements are given in the School report of Lewiston for 1882, in which the experienced Superintendent of the Schools of that city gives the plan his hearty indorsement and approval.

I have in my possession many facts and figures relating to the adoption and working of this plan in other places, which I

will place before you if you desire further information in this matter. I recommend that you give this subject a thorough investigation, believing that it will commend itself to your judgment.

The length of the session of the High School has occupied your attention to some extent during the past year. It has apparently been assumed that the sessions in the other grades were properly arranged. It is my opinion, however, that the hours of confinement in the two lower classes of the Primary School are too long. The children of these classes have as many hours daily as those of the Grammar or High School; indeed, we discriminate in favor of the older pupils; for, while up to the High School, five hours per day is considered the proper time, *there* four and one-half suffice. I recommend that the morning session of the third and fourth classes of the Primary grade, made up, as they are, of children from five to eight years of age, be shortened by one-half hour. Could I have my own way, I would have but one session of two or two and one-half hours daily for children five or six years old; but I am aware that many people look upon a Primary School as simply a day nursery, and that hours shortened to that extent would not meet the popular demand.

There are many school rooms in the city the air of which can be changed only by creating a current through open doors and windows. This method of ventilation has its disadvantages. But it seems necessary to use it until some changes are made in the buildings so that a constant supply of pure air can be introduced in some less primitive manner. I suppose that no one will claim that air deprived of its vital principle by being repeatedly re-breathed by seventy children confined in a close room, reeking with the exhalations from their clothing and bodies, and of so vile a smell that a person entering from the pure air is forced precipitately to retreat, is conducive to health. But this is the condition that exists to-day in school rooms in this city; and attention is called to it year after year without exciting more than a passing remark. I leave this sub-

ject with the Committee on Health, in the hope that their forthcoming report will suggest some practical remedies.

EVENING SCHOOL.

The Evening School was opened in the old New Hampshire House, Dec. 4, 1882, under the charge of Mr. John Kivel as principal, assisted by Mr. Peter Burke, Miss Jennie L. Peirce and Miss Annie B. Townsend. The term continued twelve weeks with varying success. The average age of the attendants was 18 years, 7 months. The average number attending was 16. Various conditions combined to render the school less successful than it had been during previous years. None of these conditions, however, are valid arguments against the existence of the school wisely conducted. As the City Councils of 1883 failed to make any appropriation for the usual term, it would be useless to discuss the mistakes of the past at this time.

HIGH SCHOOL.

I believe that the High School has a larger number of pupils than ever before, with the single exception of the first year after the entire city was constituted one district, at which time, in the language of the committee, "At the commencement of the year the utmost efforts were made to secure the attendance of every scholar in the city qualified to enter the High School."

The course of study as adopted one year ago gives greater latitude in selection of studies to be pursued, and its success has proved the wisdom of the committee in adopting it.

The number who have attended to the different branches is as follows :

Latin,.....	92
Greek,.....	16
French,.....	34

Arithmetic,.....	64
Algebra,.....	48
Geometry,.....	46
Rhetoric,.....	48
English Literature,.....	123
Botany,.....	7
Chemistry,.....	9
Astronomy,.....	6
Physics,.....	16
U. S. History,.....	21
English History,.....	14
French History,.....	20
Grecian History,...	8
Roman History,...	8
Reading,.....	126
English Composition,.....	126
Declamation,.....	126
Physiology,.....	15
Book Keeping,.....	20

Forty-eight scholars entered from the Grammar schools at the beginning of the year. Twenty-one were graduated June, 1883.

TRAINING FOR TEACHERS.

Most of our teachers have no special training or preparation for their work. Elected, many of them, immediately after their own graduation from our own High School, they are placed in the school-rooms to *experiment* upon the minds of the children under their charge. And though they may in one month prove their unfitness for the teacher's position, having been chosen for a year they must remain in some cases to the incalculable injury of their pupils. Young ladies who have never given a thought to the principles of education, or to methods of instruction, assume the responsibilities of the school room unhesitatingly, and take charge of the education of a

class without any appreciation of the importance of the work. Said the School Committee of this city in their first annual report, in 1871 :

“The idea is far too prevalent that any young lady of necessitous circumstances, possessing moderate intellectual capacity, and capable of passing a tolerable examination, is competent for the discharge of the duties of an instructor of youth. Even graduates of High Schools and more exacting institutions of learning, except in rare exceptional cases, require a special training, and the successful ones obtain it either at their own expense or at the cost of the community employing them.”

The age of these words does not detract from their force. They were true then, they are true to-day. But, I regret to say, the practice of committees since that time has not been in the line of progress there hinted at. This is not the time to argue for the value of special training. The age is past in which a knowledge of the alphabet and the multiplication table was considered a sufficient qualification for a teacher of a Primary school. I have no doubt that many of the Dover girls who desire to become teachers would take a Normal School course if the School Committee should encourage such action on their part. A slight difference in the compensation in favor of the trained teacher ; an understanding that candidates for positions who have taken a preparatory course were to have the preference over those untrained ; would probably be a sufficient incentive to many to obtain a professional training. I dwell particularly upon this point, as I consider it a vital one. You annually elect as teachers, persons whose success is extremely doubtful, when you might (I believe), secure skilled labor by a mere intimation of your preference. Until you give such an intimation, you will, of course, have few but the inexperienced from whom to make your selections. If these hints and suggestions do not meet your approval, I ask your investigation into the utility and practicability of training schools as they exist in many of our sister cities of New England.

I call your attention to the urgent need of maps, globes,

charts, etc., for our schools. There is a marked deficiency in this respect which demands an *immediate* remedy. I recommend an appropriation of not less than one hundred dollars for geographical apparatus; fifty for charts of various kinds, and one hundred for supplementary reading matter.

The matter of promotions from one class to another is frequently of great trouble to teachers. They too often expect to form all children according to one pattern, and, because they fail, become discouraged, complain of insufficient preparation, and make life uncomfortable for themselves and their pupils. Now I take it that there is but one question to ask in deciding the propriety of promoting a child to a higher class, namely: In which class would he secure the greatest amount of good? not, has he obtained an average of 65 or 75 per cent. in his recitations and examinations?

In every class, there will be poor scholars; in every class, there will be pupils who excel in one branch of study, but are deficient in others.

Shall a child be denied the privilege of advancing in mathematical studies because his memory is poor? Shall he be prevented from turning his attention to the natural sciences because he has no taste for mathematics?

But this is precisely what some teachers would do; they would drop from their classes or their grade pupils who are not uniformly good in all the branches required by the course of study.

This seems to me to be wrong. A pupil regular in attendance, faithful and honest in his work, should be advanced whenever it ceases to be to his advantage to remain, and this is not often the case.

The dull scholar has rights in our schools as well as the brilliant one, and those rights should be respected.

In closing, I wish to bear testimony to the faithfulness of the teachers in the discharge of their duties, and to their general efficiency. It is owing to their zeal, intelligence and hard work, that our schools compare favorably with those of any city of sim-

ilar size and conditions with which I am acquainted. I would not be understood as saying that the teachers are *all* good; but that the poor or indifferent ones are exceptional.

I can not close without expressing my appreciation of the support and assistance given me in my work by you collectively and individually.

Respectfully,

CHANNING FOLSOM,
Supt. of Schools.

Dover, N. H., July 1, 1883.

APPENDIX.

ORDINANCE AND LAWS RELATING TO TRUANCY.

CITY ORDINANCES.

CHAPTER IX.

SEC. 1.—Any child in the city between the ages of six and sixteen years, without any regular and lawful occupation, who shall, except in case of ill health, habitually neglect to attend school, or become an habitual truant, upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than one, nor more than ten dollars.

SEC. 2.—Instead of the fine mentioned in the preceding section, the Justice of the Police Court may, at his discretion, order any child convicted of such offence to be committed to the House of Correction, or to the Reform School, for a term not exceeding one year.

LAWS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

CHAPTER 21.

Laws of 1879.

SEC. 1. No child under the age of ten years shall be employed by any manufacturing corporation in this State; and any agent, superintendent, or overseer in any corporation who wilfully employs, or permits to be employed, any child in violation of this act, shall, for such offense, be fined not less than twenty dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. Such fine shall be paid, one-half to the complainant, and the other half to the use of the county where the offence was committed.

SEC. 3. No prosecution under this act shall be sustained one year after the offense is committed.

CHAPTER 91.

(As Amended in 1881.)

SEC. 11.—No child under sixteen years of age shall be employed in any manufacturing establishment, unless he has attended some public school, or private day school where instruction was given by a teacher competent in the branches taught in common schools, at least twelve weeks during the year preceding; and no child under said age shall be so employed, except in vacation of the school in the district in which he resides, who cannot write legibly and read fluently in readers of the grade usually classed as third readers.

SEC. 12.—No child under the age of fourteen years shall be employed as aforesaid unless he has attended school as aforesaid at least six months during the year preceding, or has attended the school of the district in which he dwelt the whole time it was kept during such year; and no child under twelve

years of age shall be so employed unless he has attended the school of the district in which he dwelt the whole time it was kept during the year preceding.

SEC. 13. The owner, agent, or superintendent of any manufacturing establishment, or any person connected therewith, who shall employ in such establishment any child under the age of sixteen years, without having a certificate signed by a majority of the school committee of the town or city in which such child resides, or by such person or persons as they may designate for that purpose, that such child has attended school, as required by sections eleven and twelve of this chapter, shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence.

SEC. 14. Every parent, guardian, master, or other person having the custody, control, or charge of any child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, residing in any school district in which a public school is annually taught for the period of twelve weeks or more within two miles by the nearest traveled road from his residence, shall cause such child to attend such public school for twelve weeks at least in every year, six weeks at least of which attendance shall be consecutive, unless such child shall be excused from such attendance by the school committee of the town, or the board of education of such district, upon its being shown to their satisfaction that the physical or mental condition of such child was such as to prevent his attendance at school for the period required, or that such child was instructed in a private school or at home for at least twelve weeks during such year in the branches of education required to be taught in the public schools, or, having acquired those branches, in other more advanced studies.

SEC. 16. Any parent, guardian, master, or other person violating the provisions of the fourteenth section shall forfeit and pay the sum of ten dollars for the first offence and the sum of twenty dollars for the second and every subsequent offense.

CHAPTER 89.

SEC. 14. The parents, masters, or guardians of the scholars attending school, shall supply such scholars with the books required to be used in the schools; and upon neglect or refusal, after notice, the same shall be furnished by the school committee at the expense of the town; and the cost of the same shall be added to the next annual tax of such parent, master, or guardian, if able to pay the same.

CHAPTER 91.

SEC. 2. No child, unless he has been duly vaccinated or has had the small-pox, is entitled to attend any public school; and the prudential committees of the several districts, and those who exercise the powers of such committees, shall not allow any such child to be admitted to or connected with any such school.

COPY OF EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATE.

DOVER, N. H., 188 .

This is to certify that whose age according to the School Register is years, months, has attended the public schools of this city as follows during the year ending to-day:

..... weeks during the term ending 188 .
 “ “ “ “ 188 .
 “ “ “ “ 188 .
 “ during the year.

Last attendance 188 .

His last six months' attendance began 188 .
 “ “ twelve weeks’ “ “ 188 .

[The teacher will erase one of these according to the age ;
omit this item if under twelve years of age]

This certificate will expire.....188 .

.....Teacher.

.....Class.....School.

.....Supt. of Schools.

NOTE.—This Certificate is of no value unless signed by the Superintendent of
Schools.

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No child under the age of fourteen years shall be employed as aforesaid unless he has attended school as aforesaid at least six months during the year preceding. or has attended the school of the district in which he dwelt the whole time it was kept during the year.

No child under twelve years of age shall be so employed unless he has attended the school of the district in which he dwelt the whole time it was kept during the year preceding.

The owner, agent, or superintendent of any manufacturing establishment, or any person connected therewith, who shall employ in such an establishment any child under the age of sixteen years, without having a certificate signed by the majority of the school committee of the town or city in which the child resides, or by such person or persons as they may designate for that purpose, that such child has attended school as required, shall be fined not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense.

LIST OF TEACHERS, 1882-83.

TEACHERS.	SCHOOL.	GRADE.	CLASS	RESIDENCE.
Edward R. Goodwin	High	Principal		Franklin St.
Ida C. Allen	"	"		Mt Pleasant St.
Anna C. Elliot	"	Assistants		Locust St.
Louise H. Haynes	"	"		Fifth St.
Frank P. Shepard	Sawyer	Grammar	1	Arch St.
Sarah L. Hallam	"	"	2	Fourth St.
Carrie S. Hanson	"	"	3	Cushing St.
Maria O'Neil	"	"	4	Dover Pt. Road.
Mary S. Piper	Belknap	"	1	Silver St.
Mary E. Jenkins	"	"	2	Franklin St.
Mary E. Cartland	"	"	3	Pleasant St.
Alice H. Davis	"	"	4	Pleasant St.
Ida B. Hanson	School St.	"	3	Cushing St.
Emma B. Caswell	"	"	4	Washington St.
Jessie L. Waterman	St. Thomas St.	"	4	Cushing St.
Mary P. Towne	Sawyer	Primary.	1	Park St.
Della F. Dame	"	"	2	Fifth St.
Carrie B. Drew	"	"	3	First St.
Anna W. Smith	"	"	4	Upper Neck.
Lizzie F. Drew	Hurd St.	"	1	Portland St.
Mabel G. Hammond	"	"	2	Rogers St.
Hattie J. Bickford	"	"	3	Mechanic St.
Laura Hayes	"	"	4	Locust St.
Helen M. Clark	School St.	"	4	Portland St.
Juliette Reynolds	Locust St.	"	1	Silver St.
Mabel C. Hartford	"	"	2	Silver St.
Emeline B. Thompson	"	"	3	Silver St.
Nellie P. Wallingford	"	"	4	Silver St.
Florence N Robinson	Washington St	"	1	Orchard St.
Ida C. Stratton	"	"	2	Peirce St.
Eunice H. Grant	"	"	3	Fourth St.
Carrie E. Flye	"	"	4	Hough St.
Mary Watson	St. Thomas St.	"	4	Mt. Pleasant St.
Mary S. Smith	Garrison Hill	Ungraded.		Franklin St.
Addie E. Brown	Blackwater	"		Gage's Hill.
Chas. K. Hartford	Upper Factory	"		Peirce St.
Amanda S. Young	Tolend	"		Littleworth.
Aletta J. Foss	Littleworth	"		Atkinson St.
Mary L. Randall	Knox Marsh	"		Mechanic St.
Susie P. Worthen	Back River	"		Washington St.
Jennie D. Townsend	Upper Neck	"		Central St.
S. Lizzie Towne	Lower Neck	"		Dover Point.
Marv F. Duxbury	Musie	"		Union St.

LIST OF TEACHERS, 1883-84.

Names.	Class	School.	Grade	Residence
Edward R. Goodwin		High	Principal	Franklin st.
Ida C. Allen		"	"	Mt. Pleasant st.
Anna C. Elliot.		"	Assistants	Cor Summer & Elm
Louise H. Haynes		"	"	Atkinson st.
Frank P. Shepard	1	Sawyer	Grammar	Arch st.
Sarah L. Hallam	2	"	"	Fourth st.
Carrie S. Hanson	3	"	"	Cushing st.
Maria O'Neil	4	"	"	Dover Point Road.
Mary S. Piper	1	Belknap	"	Silver st.
Mary E. Jenkins	2	"	"	Franklin st.
Mary E. Cartland	3	"	"	Pleasant st.
Alice H. Davis	4	"	"	Pleasant st.
Ida B. Hanson	3	Sherman	"	Cushing st.
Emma B. Caswell	4	"	"	Washington st.
Mary P. Towle	1	Sawyer	Primary	Cor Chestnut & First
Della F. Dame	2	"	"	Fifth st.
Carrie B. Drew	3	"	"	First st.
Anna W. Smith	4	"	"	Washington st.
Lizzie F. Drew	1 & 2	Peirce	"	Portland st.
Ida C. Stratton	2 & 3	"	"	Peirce st.
Laura A. Hayes	4	"	"	Locust st.
Jessie L. Waterman	1 & 2	Varney	"	Cushing st.
Aletta J. Foss	2 & 3	"	"	28 Atkinson st.
Carrie E. Flye	4	"	"	Hough st.
Juliette Reynolds	1	Hale	"	Silver st.
Mabel C. Hartford	2	"	"	Pleasant st.
Emeline B. Thompson	3	"	"	Silver st.
Nellie P. Wallingford	4	"	"	Silver st.
Arabella L. Roberts	4	Pine Hill	"	Upper Neck
Helen M. Clark		Upper Neck	Ungraded	Portland st.
S. Lizzie T. Towne		Lower Neck	"	Cor 1st & Chestnut
Susie P. Worthen		Back River	"	Washington st.
Mary L. Randall		Knox Marsh	"	Mechanic st.
Margaret M. Bowers		Littleworth	"	Maple st.
Amanda S. Young		Tolend	"	Littleworth.
Mary Watson		Long Hill	"	Mt. Pleasant.
Chas. K. Hartford		Upper Factory	"	Franklin st.
Miriam Davis		Garrison Hill	"	Waldron st.
Belle F. Ham		Blackwater	"	Cor Wash. & C'sh'g
Mary F. Luxbury.		Music		Union st.

SCHOOL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1883.

NAME OF SCHOOL.	Class.	Whole No. enrolled during year.	Average enrollment.	Average attendance.	Per cent. of attendances daily.	Number of tardinesses
HIGH		126	114	111	97	312
Grammar Schools :						
BELKNAP	1	39	36	34	96	94
"	2	54	52	50	93	55
"	3	44	32.8	30.7	93.5	20
"	4	51	36.6	33.7	92.4	22
SAWYER	1	41	37	36	95	96
"	2	49	42	40	95	96
"	3	35	33	31	93	34
"	4	62	42	39	93	118
SHERMAN	3	44	42	40	95	48
"	4	81	33.7	29.6	87	30
ST. THOMAS STREET	4	61	42	39	93	58
PRIMARY SCHOOLS.						
SAWYER	1	51	44	42	95	46
"	2	76	37	33	89	72
"	3	67	40	37	92	140
"	4	94	48	39	81	76
PEIRCE	1	67	43	40	93	80
"	2	87	43	39	91	103
"	3	84	44	40	91	130
"	4	76	45.7	44.2	97	95
HALE	1	60	40	36	90	75
"	2	71	40	35	88	81
"	3	78	48	40	83.3	120
"	4	92	62	57	92	43
VARNEY	1	58	34	32	94	44
"	2	88	45	39	87	36
"	3	85	41.2	35.5	86	79
"	4	94	49	37	76	85
SHERMAN	4	81	43	37	86	57
ST. THOMAS STREET	4	100	57	51	89	65
UNGRADED SCHOOLS.						
GARRISON HILL		30	18.3	16.7	91.2	23
BLACKWATER		36	14.5	11.3	73.2	68
UPPER FACTORY		18	12	10	83.3	9
TOLEND		31	27	21	88.6	32
LITTLEWORTH		23	20	14	70	175
KNOX MARSH		15	9.3	8.3	88.3	39
BACK RIVER		45	36	24	66.6	230
UPPER NECK		40	22	17	77	93
LOWER NECK		41	38	34	89	144

LIST OF PUPILS NOT ABSENT OR TARDY DURING THE YEAR
ENDING JUNE 30, 1883.

GARRISON HILL—Charles O. Littlefield.

TOLEND—Leroy M. Locke.

HALE—John Peel, Fred L. Carleton, George T. Hughes, Harry H. Hanson, Guy H. Colbath, Mary Wood.

SAWYER GRAMMAR—Charles A. Dore, Mary Pray, Annie Cutting, George Ricker, Alfred Porter, Charles Weeks, Lillian Burwell, Ellen Gray, Eva May Rehill.

SHERMAN GRAMMAR—Annie Looney, Gertrude Foye, Mary Hayes, Willie Kelley, Nellie Grant.

BELKNAP—Grace B. Colbath, Janet C. Craig, Moses C. Shackford, Earnest G. Smith, Emma L. Van Tassel, Oscar E. Pinkham, Charles Philbrick, Sarah L. Bunce, Lizzie E. Coleman, William H. Folsom, Natt F. Stevens.



LIST OF PUPILS WHO RECEIVED CERTIFICATES OF GRADUATION
FROM THE GRAMMAR SCHOOLS, JUNE, 1883.

BELKNAP SCHOOL—Sarah L. Bunce, Elizabeth Coleman, Sarah F. Durgin, Minnie Morrill, Alice Murphy, Mary Reed, Eliza Ryann, Carrie E. Simes, Carrie Varney, George Colbath, Herbert A. Carleton, Harrison O. Folsom, William Folsom, Leon Goodwin, Harry Goodwin, John Gray, George Hodsdon, Ralph Jenkins, David Kinghorn, James McKearnon, George H. Neal, Frank E. Page, Moses D. Page, George Roberts, William Swan, Jeremiah Smith, Hallis N. Smith, Charles F. Sawyer, Natt F. Stevens, Richard B. Young.

SAWYER SCHOOL—Roscoe E. Berry, Clara M. Colwell, Frank H. Dame, Nestor W. Davis, Ida L. Foote, Hattie Glidden, Fannie C. Grant, Laura B. Hall, Grace F. Hill, Eddie Hale, Charles C. Hersey, Vazena Hughes, Josiah P. Jenness, Nellie F. Kimball, Sadie Littlefield, Anna B. Lord, Lottie O'Brien,

John H. Quint. Ada M. Roan, Jennie L. Rowe, Carrie R. Sawyer, Lettie G. Shapleigh, Mabel Shute, Fred Smart, Geo. True, Ina E. Varney, Ellen A. Wiggin, Lizzie E. Wentworth, Walter B. Whitehouse, George P. Young.

LIST OF GRADUATES FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL, JUNE 29, 1883.

Margaret M. Bowers, Miriam Davis, Mary O. Franklin, Eunice L. Hanson, Ora B. Hatch, Sadie A. Hooper, Henrietta Horsch, Annie H. Hughes, Beatrice M. G. Jenkins, Ellen L. Mahoney, Edith M. Morrill, Annie K. Seavey, Lizzie B. Smith, N. Augusta Twombly, Margaret P. Varney, Agnes B. Whitehead, Harriet E. Worthen, George W. Glass, Moses P. Kimball, Theodore H. Rollins, Fred M. Wentworth.

SCHOOL CALENDAR.

1883-84.

SCHOOL SESSIONS.—1. The length of the school year and the definite dates of beginning and ending each term, will be determined by the School Committee from year to year.—*Rules.*

Fall Term of fourteen weeks, begins Sept. 3, 1883.

Winter Term of twelve weeks for the High School, eleven weeks for all others, begins Jan. 2, 1884.

Spring Term of twelve weeks for High School, eleven weeks for Grammar Schools, and ten weeks for Primary and Ungraded Schools, begins April 7, 1884.

2. During the winter term, the morning sessions in the primary and grammar schools shall be from quarter of nine to quarter of twelve o'clock; at all other times of the year, from half-past eight to half-past eleven. The afternoon sessions shall be from two to four o'clock, throughout the year. The

session of the high school will be from half-past eight, A. M., to one, P. M. The hours of sessions of the ungraded schools shall be determined by their respective committees.—*Rules.*

COURSE OF STUDY AND TEXT BOOKS.

I. IN PRIMARY AND GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

1. STUDIES.—Reading, spelling, arithmetic, language, penmanship, and vocal music are begun in the primary fourth class.

Exercises in written composition are begun in primary third class.

Geography and arithmetic with text books are begun in the primary second class.

Rhetorical exercises are begun in the grammar fourth class.

Technical grammar and United States history are begun in the grammar third class.

All these branches of study are continued to the end of the grammar school course.

Physiology is taught in the grammar first class.

2. Frequent gymnastic exercises in some form, of not less than three or more than five minutes' duration, are required.

3. Study out of school must not be required of any pupil of the primary school, nor of more than one lesson by any grammar school pupil.

4. Blackboard work.—The blackboard shall be used each day by as many pupils as practicable in writing topics in geography, history, and other studies,—the exercises to be conducted by the pupils under the supervision of the teacher.

5. TEXT BOOKS.—The authorized text books, not including those for supplementary reading or other supplementary work, are as follows:

Worcester's Speller.

Franklin Advanced First Reader, used in primary 4th class.

Franklin Advanced Second Reader, used in 3d class and 2d section 2d class.

Franklin Advanced Third Reader, used in 1st class and 1st section of 2d class.

Franklin Intermediate Reader, used in grammar 4th class.

Franklin Fifth Reader, used in grammar 1st, 2d, and 3d classes.

Warren's Primary Geography, used in primary 1st and 2d classes.

Warren's Common-school Geography, used in grammar classes.

Fish's Complete Arithmetic, used in primary 1st and all grammar classes.

Swinton's Language Lessons, used in grammar 1st, 2d, and 3d classes.

Barnes's United States History, used in grammar 1st, 2d, and 3d classes.

Jarvis's Elements of Physiology, used in grammar 1st class.

Normal Music Course, used in primary, grammar, and high schools.

P. D. & S. Writing books, used throughout the primary and grammar schools.

Books and materials for temporary supplementary reading will be such as are specially approved from time to time.

II. IN THE HIGH SCHOOL.

I. STUDIES.

Fourth Class.—

English—reading, dictation, short composition, rhetoric, study of authors.

Mathematics—arithmetic, algebra.

Book-keeping.

Physiology.

History—Roman, Grecian.

Latin—optional with general history.

Third Class.—

English—reading, English literature, short themes, English history.

Mathematics—algebra, geometry.

Civil government.

Physiology and Physics.

Latin.

Greek.

Second Class.—

English—reading, themes, study of authors.

History—United States, English, Roman.

Chemistry.

Civil government.

Latin.

French.

Greek.

First Class.—

English—themes and declamations, study of authors.

History—French, Grecian.

Arithmetic.

Astronomy.

Botany.

Civil government.

Latin.

French.

Greek.

Exercises in composition and speaking are had throughout the course.

2. COURSE OF STUDY.

Pupils (with approval of parents) will, at the beginning of each year, select three or more studies, amounting to thirteen or fourteen recitations per week, and this shall constitute the course of study for the pupil, and the completion of the course

of study for four years will entitle the pupil to a diploma. Pupils fitting for college, however, must take the studies required in such preparation; for all other pupils arithmetic is a required study. The committee on the high school may make special arrangements with any pupil whose needs require further variation in the above course. Pupils completing a two years' course, and leaving the school, will receive a certificate thereof.

3. TEXT BOOKS.

Algebra—Wentworth's, Bradbury's.

Geometry—Hill's, Wentworth's.

Meservey's Book-keeping.

Physics—Steele's.

Chemistry—Elliott and Storer's.

History—Swinton's Outlines, Weber's Outlines, Smith's Greece, Pennell's Greece, Smith's Roman, Pennell's Roman, Green's English, Barnes's French.

Physiology—Hutchinson's.

Literature—Shaw's History, Underwood's Selections and Swinton's Selections.

Rhetoric—Hart's.

Civil government.

Botany—Gray's.

Astronomy—Kiddle's.

Latin—Allen and Greenough's Grammar.

Greek—Goodwin's Grammar. White's Lessons.

French—Keetel's Series.

Constitution of the United States.

Cicero—any approved edition.

Virgil—any approved edition.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS,

PASSED BY

THE CITY COUNCILS IN 1883.

A Joint Resolution concerning a Public Library.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

That a Committee be appointed, consisting of the Mayor and one Alderman, with such as the Common Council may join, to consider the recommendations of the Mayor, concerning a Public Library, and to report to these councils—Ald. Quaid and Messrs. Pray. Hatch and Moulton.

Passed January 4.

Resolved, &c. That a Committee consisting of the Mayor, and such as the Common Council may join, be appointed to prepare a petition for presentation to the Legislature for an enabling act allowing the city to appropriate money for the construction of a suitable building for County and Court purposes.

Passed February 1.

Resolved, &c. That the provisions of the report on a Public Library are satisfactory, and in the judgment of these Councils ought to be, and hereby are, adopted on the part of the City of Dover. That the sum of twenty-four hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the current year's expenses, as set forth in Sec. 1 of the report of the Joint Special Committee on a Public Library, submitted this evening. And that when the terms of Sec. 6 of said report have been complied with, the Joint Standing Committee on Claims shall audit and

allow orders on such appropriation in the same manner as against other departments of the city.

Passed Feb. 1.

Resolved, &c. That the Superintendent of Streets is hereby authorized to pay thirty cents per hour for the use of oxen per pair.

Passed February 15.

Resolved, &c. That a room about 9x12 shall be partitioned off from Steamer No. 2 room, with door and window in same, and a bedstead, for the use of driver of Steamer No. 2 provided, and the driver of said steamer be required to sleep in the engine house on Orchard street, nights.

Passed March 8.

Resolved, &c. That no demand against the city under the class of "Miscellaneous Claims" shall be paid by the City unless the same shall be approved by the City Councils.

Passed March 29.

Resolved, &c. That any additional buildings, machinery and capital which George B. Wentworth & Co., of this city, may put into the boot and shoe business in the City of Dover, shall be exempt from taxation for ten years ending March 31, 1893.

Passed March 29.

Resolved, &c. That the sum of \$68,691.50 be raised this year [1883] by taxation for the following purposes, and the sums named are hereby appropriated to the several departments as specified below :

Highways,.....	\$12,500.00
Public Buildings, (and receipts up to \$800).....	100.00
Sewers,.....	1,000.00
Police (and receipts not to exceed \$5,550).....	4,000.00
Interest,.....	11,328.00
Sidewalks,.....	2,500.00

Schools, in excess,.....	\$4,998.50
Fire Department,.....	8,200.00
Miscellaneous,.....	1,200.00
Salaries,.....	3,540.00
Gas & Electric Lights,.....	3,600.00
Repairs of School Houses.....	2,200.00
Support of Prisoners.....	1,125.00
Cleaning School Houses,.....	200.00
Pauper Department,.....	2,000.00
Health,.....	300.00
Cemetery,.....	500.00
Bridges,.....	3,750.00
Printing and Stationery,.....	650.00
Special,.....	5,000.00
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	\$68,691.50

Passed March 29.

Resolved, &c. That the Mayor and President of the Common Council be empowered and especially requested, in behalf of the City, to apply to the Legislature at its coming session, for the passage of an act as follows :

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened :

Sec. 1. That the City of Dover be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to raise by loans, or taxation, and to appropriate a sum of money not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, for erecting and furnishing a Court House and County offices for the use of the County of Strafford.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

That immediately upon the passage of such enabling act, the City Councils will take steps to obtain a lot and procure plans for a building or buildings to be erected thereon, such as shall be determined to be necessary and suitable for that purpose by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or such one of the Associate Justices as the Court itself may select and the

County Commissioners of this County ; and at once, after their approval of such lot and plans, will appropriate money, and contract for the building of such buildings, in accordance with such plans and upon such lot, and hasten the same to completion, and upon the completion thereof, will tender the free use thereof to the County of Strafford so long as Dover shall remain the shire town of said county, provided the County will surrender to the city its present City Hall building.

Passed May 10.

Resolved, &c. That the sum of three hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated out of any money not otherwise appropriated for the observance of 4th of July, and that a committee consisting of three from this Board, with such as the Board of Aldermen may join, be appointed to carry this resolution into effect. This committee is at liberty to act with any committee of citizens appointed for similar purpose. Messrs. Foss, Moulton and Cassily, Ald. Wentworth and Scott.

Passed June 7.

Resolved, &c. That a reservoir of brick holding at least five or more thousand gallons of water, be constructed on Pine Hill near the tool house, with suitable pump and covering, at an expense not exceeding \$175. The intent being to fill the same by the fire engines from one of the fire reservoirs located in the vicinity, and the sum of \$175 is hereby appropriated for said purpose from any money not otherwise appropriated.

Passed June 7.

In accordance with the resolution passed May 10. of this year, in regard to the new county buildings:—

Resolved, &c. That a Joint Committee consisting of Alderman Snell of Ward Two, Alderman Lucas of Ward Four and Alderman Quaid of Ward 5, with such as the Common Council may join, be appointed to recommend a lot and procure plans for a County building or buildings to be

erected thereon such as shall be determined to be necessary and suitable for that purpose by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or such one of the Associate Justices as the Court itself may select and the County Commissioners of this County.

Passed Aug. 7.

Resolved, &c. That in accordance with the contract entered into by the City of Dover with the cities of Portsmouth, Concord, Manchester and Nashua to pay a proportionate part of the expense of the suit of Norton *et. als.*, vs. Dover—and as all suits vs. the New Hampshire cities are at an end,

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

That the Mayor is hereby authorized to draw his check for the assessment now due from Dover, viz: Twenty-Three hundred and eighty dollars and ninety-five cents.

Passed Sept. 6.

Resolved, &c. That the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department is hereby instructed to at once report to these Boards the utility of the hand engine at Garrison Hill in case of fire in that locality, and if found to be useless, as the current report, to recommend what means should be employed to give that portion of our city better facilities to extinguish fires when needed.

Passed September 6.

Resolved, &c. That an act of the Legislature of the State of New Hampshire, entitled, "An act providing for the establishment of the Dover Public Library," approved Aug. 2, 1883, be and hereby is accepted, and that the Mayor and President of the Common Council be and hereby are constituted a committee on the part of the City of Dover, to execute with a committee of the Dover Library the contract adopted by said city at a meeting of these Councils, holden February 1st, 1883, the same being entitled, in the records of said meeting.

Form of plan—Contract of the City of Dover with the Dover Library.

Passed Sept. 20.

Resolved, &c. That in accordance with the act passed by the Legislature of the State of New Hampshire, authorizing the County Commissioners of Strafford County to contract with the City of Dover in relation to a County building, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court (or a Justice designated by him) and the County Commissioners be and hereby requested to examine the Sarah Low homestead lot, with a view to the convenience of the County. That the Committee on Court House location meet the Chief Justice and County Commissioners and present the Sarah Low lot as the choice of the City Councils of the City of Dover.

Passed Sept. 20.

Resolved, &c. That a special committee consisting of Alderman Nute and one other from this board, with such as the Common Council may join, be appointed to consider the availability of the Steam Engine Dover No. 1, and the Garrison Hill Hand Tub. This committee shall proceed at once to make the required examination and report at next meeting in writing. Messrs. Page and Bartlett.

Passed October 4.

Resolved, &c. That the use of Ward 4 Ward House be given to the School Committee until the end of the present school year, for school purposes, provided that the house be fitted up for such use without further appropriation.

Passed Oct. 4.

Resolved, &c.

SECTION 1. That the Joint Standing Committee on Lands and Buildings are hereby instructed to offer said school house [St. Thomas] and lot at public auction, duly and sufficiently notifying the public of the time and terms of said auction.

SEC. 2. That the proceeds of said auction shall be set aside and appropriated towards meeting, in part, the expense of a new school house near Sawyer's Mills.

Passed October 12.

Resolved, &c.

SEC. 1. That the Joint Standing Committee on Fire Department are empowered to dispose of, for the benefit of the city, the hand engine, now in Garrison Hill Engine House, together with all its appurtenances, and the Steam Fire Engine No. 1, called "Dover," to the best advantage possible.

Passed October 12.

Resolved, &c. That the firm of Lewis W. Nute & Co., are hereby exempted from taxation for the term of ten years from date—providing they do a business amounting to \$100,000 per year in the manufacture of boots and shoes in Dover, meaning hereby to exempt all machinery, stock, and all new buildings which shall be built and used by Messrs. L. W. Nute & Co. for the manufacture of boots and shoes in this city.

Passed December 6.

Resolved, &c. That two-thirds of the building now being erected on the old Thurston lot on Third Street, by E. C. Cottle, or such part of it as shall be used in the boot and shoe business, together with all stock, tools, fixtures and machinery, be exempted from taxation for the term of ten years from date, providing that they do a \$100,000 business in said shop.

Passed December 6.

Resolved by the City Councils of the City of Dover, assembled in Convention:

That James E. Lothrop, having received the largest number of votes at the municipal election, held November 27. 1883, is hereby declared elected Mayor for the year 1884.

Passed December 6.

Whereas, the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department

report that the locality in which Beede, Shaw & Co.'s steam mill is situated, is dangerous because of said mill, and

Whereas, it is desirable to retain every industry now operating in the city, therefore

Resolved, &c. That any newly constructed building, and all stock, machinery and fixtures, and the capital used in operating a steam mill by Beede, Shaw & Co., and their successors, shall be exempt from taxation for the term of ten years from date.

Passed December 11.

ORDINANCES PASSED SINCE PUBLICATION OF CHARTER AND ORDINANCES.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils for the City of Dover:

SEC. 1. Every person keeping a dog and permitting him to run at large in any street, lane or alley, or other place in the City of Dover, without a license, and without said dog having around his neck a collar of brass, tin or leather, with the name of the owner engraved thereon, shall be liable to a fine of not less than two dollars nor more than five dollars.

SEC. 2. The mayor may grant such license for one year only, on condition that the person applying for the same shall pay for the use of the city not less than two dollars for a male dog and five dollars for a female dog, and not otherwise, which license shall be recorded in a book kept for that purpose, and delivered to the person applying therefor.

SEC. 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed March 2, 1882.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

SEC. 1. Whenever the Board of Aldermen shall grant any permission to any person, firm or corporation, to encumber any street, sidewalk or public square of said City of Dover, for

the purpose of erecting, altering or moving buildings, or to dig up or encumber the same in any other manner, they shall, as a condition to granting such permission, require the party obtaining the same to furnish a bond of indemnity to the City of Dover in such sum and with such securities as they may think proper.

SEC. 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.
Passed March 30, 1882.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

SEC. 1. That section 5, chapter IV, of the Revised Ordinances be amended as follows: In the second line the word "four" be stricken out and the word "five" be inserted.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the City Marshal to cause one night watchman to be at the Police Station from 10 o'clock P. M. to 7 o'clock A. M., each night watchman doing this duty in turn as designated by the Marshal.

SEC. 3. The police station shall be open at all hours of the day and night, to receive complaints respecting offences against the laws and ordinances, and notice of fire by telephone or otherwise.

SEC. 4. All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed March 9, 1882.

An ordinance in amendment of Sec. 5, Chap. IV, of the Revised Ordinances.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

SEC. 1. That after the word "section" in Sec. 5, Chap. IV, of the Revised Ordinances, the words "except that of Truant Officer," be inserted.

Passed March 30, 1882.

An Ordinance in amendment of Chapter X of the City Ordinances.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

That the figure "2" in the thirty-fourth line of Sec. 4 of Chapter X, be stricken out. and the figure "3" be inserted in lieu thereof.

That between the word "city" in the fourth line of Sec. 10, Chap. X. of the City Ordinances, and the word "and" in the same line, as printed in the volume entitled, "Charter and Ordinances of the City of Dover, N. H." the following words be inserted: "See that the dwelling houses of the Chief, First, Second and Third Engineers, the Steam Engineers and assistants, and drivers of Steamers and Hook and Ladder companies are connected with the Telephone Central Office, and that a pair of spring harnesses be kept constantly ready for use in the Hook and Ladder House."

That the figure "2" in the third line of Sec. 15 of said Chapter, be stricken out and the figure "3" inserted in lieu thereof.

That the figure "3" in the ninth line in Sec. 15 of said Chapter be stricken out. and the figure "2" be inserted in lieu thereof. That all after the figure "1" in the tenth line of Sec. 15 of said Chapter be stricken out, and the following words be inserted in lieu thereof: "It shall be the duty of the Mayor to cause one pair of horses, suitable to draw the Hook and Ladder carriage, and a competent driver, also one horse suitable to draw Hose Carriage No. 1, with a competent driver, to be kept within the limits of Highway District No. 1."

In case of an alarm of fire, said drivers, with their horses, shall be under the control of the Chief Engineer. It shall be the duty of the driver of Steamer No. 2 forthwith to repair to the Engine House on Orchard Street, set fire to the fuel prepared in the fire-box of Steamer No. 2. and draw the same to a convenient place near the fire from which a supply of water can be obtained. and await the directions of the foreman. It shall be the duty of the driver of the Hose Carriage No. 1,

forthwith to repair to the Engine House on Orchard Street, and await the orders of the Chief Engineer or his assistants. It shall be the duty of the driver of Hook and Ladder Carriage No. 1, forthwith to repair to the Hook and Ladder House on First Street, draw said carriage to the fire, and await the directions of the foreman.

Passed February 20, 1883.

An amendment to Chapters X and XV of the City Ordinances.
Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

That the word "three" in the second line of Sec. 1, Chapter X, of the City Ordinances, as printed in the volume entitled, "Charter and Ordinances," be stricken out, and the word "two" inserted in lieu thereof; and the words "the third assistant engineer, sixty-five dollars," in Sec. 10, Chapter XV, be stricken out.

Passed March 8, 1883.

An Amendment to an Ordinance passed March 9, 1882.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

That Sections 2 and 3 of the amendment to the City Ordinances passed March 9, 1882, be stricken out, and the following words inserted in lieu thereof:

"The City Marshal shall see that one member of the night watch, while on duty, remains on or about Central Square, and so near the police station as to be able to respond to a call or alarm from a telephone box which shall be placed at the north-east corner of the City Hall lot."

Passed March 8, 1883.

An Ordinance in regard to City Reports.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

That the Annual Reports of the Receipts and Expenditures for each municipal year be printed and ready for distribution, on or before the twentieth day of March after the expiration of said municipal year.

Passed April 10, 1883.

Ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17, City Ordinances.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover :

That Chapter XVII of the City Ordinances (relating to Vital Statistics and Funeral Undertakers) be amended after Sec. 2, to read as follows :

SEC. 3. Whenever any person shall die within the limits of the city, it shall be the duty of the physician attending such person during his or her last sickness, to examine the body of such deceased person before the burial thereof; and to make out and sign a certificate setting forth, as far as the same may be ascertained, the name, age, color, sex, nativity, occupation, whether married or single, duration of residence in the city, cause, date and place of death of such deceased person; and it shall be the duty of the undertaker, or other person in charge of the burial of such deceased person, to add to such certificate the date and place of burial, and having duly signed the same to deposit it with the City Clerk and obtain a permit for burial; and in the case of death from any contagious or infectious disease, said certificate shall be made and forwarded immediately.

SEC. 4. Whenever a permit for burial is applied for, in case of death without the attendance of a physician, or it is impossible to obtain a physician's certificate, it shall be the duty of the City Physician to make the necessary examination, and to investigate the case, and make and sign a certificate of the probable cause of death; and if not satisfied as to the cause and circumstances attending such death, he shall so report to the Mayor.

SEC. 5. No interment or disinterment, of the dead body of any human being, or disposition thereof in any tomb, vault, or cemetery, shall be made within the city without a permit therefor, granted as aforesaid, nor otherwise than in accordance with such permit.

No undertaker, Superintendent of Cemetery, or other per-

son shall assist in, assent to, or allow any such interment, or disinterment, to be made, until such permit has been given as aforesaid; and it shall be the duty of every undertaker, Superintendent of Cemetery, or other person having charge of any burial place as aforesaid, who shall receive such permit, to preserve and return the same to the City Clerk within forty-eight hours from the time of said burial.

No dead body of any human being, from without the limits of the city, shall be received into, or allowed to be buried in any cemetery, or other place of interment in said city, unless the person in charge, Superintendent of Cemetery, or undertaker, shall have first obtained a permit from the City Clerk; said permit to be issued upon the certificate of the physician who attended the deceased during his or her last sickness.

Section 4 of this chapter shall be numbered section 6.

Section 5 shall be altered to read as follows:

Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be fined not less than ten nor more than twenty dollars.

Passed April 10, 1883.

An amendment to Chapter IV of the City Ordinances.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

That after the last word in Sec. 3 of Chap. IV of the City Ordinances the following be added:

“He shall, under the direction of the Superintendent of Schools, furnish and provide officers for service as truant officers; and in this respect fully carry out the provisions of the laws of the State pertaining thereto.”

All ordinances not in accordance with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed April 17, 1883.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter XVII, Section 3, of the City Ordinances.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

That the fee for examining and inspecting the bodies of de-

ceased persons as required by Section 3, Chapter XVII of the City Ordinances be, and hereby is, established at one dollar for each inspection ; which shall be paid by the City of Dover.

Passed October 4.

An Ordinance in relation to Donations and Legacies for Cemeteries.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover, as follows:

SEC. 1. That the City hereby accept, and will accept, all donations and legacies made to it, for the purpose of keeping in good repair and preservation any grave or lot, the avenues connected therewith, and the tomb, fences, monuments, trees, shrubbery, and soil thereon, in any public cemetery.

SEC. 2. All such legacies and donations shall be invested in United States, State, County, City or Town Securities, and the annual income thereof shall be expended in performing the conditions attached to such donation or legacy.

SEC. 3. The money shall be expended under the direction of the "Joint Standing Committee on Cemeteries," who shall make an annual report in detail, to the city, of their doings during the previous year.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the City Treasurer to publish each year in the annual report of the receipts and expenditures of the city, a statement showing the receipts and expenditures of, and condition of the funds in his custody under this ordinance.

SEC. 5. The City Treasurer is hereby authorized to accept and receipt for, and in behalf of the city, any donation or legacy, when made in accordance with an act of the Legislature, approved July 18, 1876, entitled, "An Act authorizing cities and towns to accept donations and legacies in certain cases," and agreeable to the terms and conditions of this ordinance.

Passed December 6.

Amendment to Chapter III, Section 13, of the City Ordinances.

Be it Ordained by the City Councils of the City of Dover:

That Chapter III, Section 13, of the City Ordinances be, and is hereby amended by striking out the word "March" and inserting the word "January" in lieu thereof.

Passed December 26.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR 1883.

SALARIES.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION, \$3,540.00.

James E. Lothrop, Mayor.....	\$500 00
J. B. Stevens, City Clerk.....	800 00
Board of Assessors,.....	800 00
Sam'l H. Brownell, Messenger.....	8 00
George H. Demeritt, Messenger.....	600 00
Wm. F. Nason, Solicitor,.....	300 00
Ezra H. Twombly, Clerk Common Council.....	50 00
Frank Freeman, Treasurer,.....	150 00
Wm. L. Hobbs, Supervisor of Elections,.....	19 50
Joseph E. Porter, " ".....	19 50
Frank Haughey, " ".....	19 50
J. H. Davis, " ".....	19 50
J. W. Rines, " ".....	19 50
Cyrus Littlefield, Moderator Ward 1,.....	3 00
F. B. Clough, Selectman ".....	6 00
Geo. W. Nute, " ".....	6 00
Andrew S. Hall, " ".....	6 00
Oliver A. Dodge, Inspector ".....	2 50
James M. Hayes, " ".....	2 50
Wm. T. Pray, Clerk ".....	11 00
Orrin R. Clark, Selectman, Ward 2,.....	\$6 00
John F. Shapleigh, " ".....	6 00
O. W. Farrar, Inspector, ".....	2 50
Ezra H. Twombly, " ".....	2 50
Geo. H. Whitehouse, Clerk, ".....	7 50

Stephen Toppan, Selectman, Ward 3, for 2 years.....	\$12 00
H. A. Canney, " "	6 00
Leigh Richmond, Clerk. "	13 00
John Kivel, Moderator, Ward 4,	3 00
E. M. Jones, Selectman, "	6 00
J. W. Clements, " "	6 00
T. J. Smith, Inspector " for 2 years.....	7 50
Geo. H. Caverly, " "	2 50
George E. Varney, Clerk. " for 2 years.....	30 00
Thos. Parl, Selectman, Ward 5,	6 00
Owen Durnin, " "	6 00
Wm. H. Gorman, " "	12 00
John W. Place, Inspector, "	2 50
Frank Rogers. " "	2 50
*A. G. Whittemore, P. C. Clerk.....	25 00
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\$3,507 00	

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION, \$2,400.00.

C. H. Trickey & Co., coal,	15 00
Photo Electro Mfg. Co., seal,	6 50
M. D. Hill & Co., stock and labor,	3 70
C. H. Horton, binding,	2 00
John T. Welch, express and postage,	1 37
J. B. Folsom & Co., stock and labor,	6 82
Dennison Mfg. Co., labels,	6 00
E. J. Lane & Co., stationery,	7 50
T. C. Hovey, stationery,	5 00
Libbey & Scales, printing,	10 50
Geo. J. Foster & Co., printing,	24 30
Library Bureau, desk, books, cards, stamps, &c.	65 01
C. W. Wiggin & Son, furniture,	67 40

*Belongs in Police Department.

F. Leypoldt, publications,.....	\$14 20
Charles C. Dorr, carpenter work,.....	103 80
Wm. A. Morrill, mat, pitcher, tumblers, etc.,.....	9 18
Brooklyn M. Library, catalogue,.....	5 50
J. L. Foster, expenses in Boston twice,.....	12.85
T. B. Garland, expenses in Boston, Haverhill, Lawrence and Lowell,.....	17 45
Paid Niles & Co.,.....	2 50
Paid Jackson,.....	1 55
Paid librarian, 2 mos. 2 days,.....	129 80
Clara A. Lynn, 1 book,.....	1 17
J. B. Lippincott, books,.....	30 11
Wolf De Fiske & Co., books,.....	41 65
Roberts Bros., ".....	49 60
Little, Brown & Co., ".....	52 32
Clark & Carruth, ".....	74 77
D. Appleton & Co., ".....	87 41
Lee & Shepard, ".....	103 05
W. H. Moore, ".....	110 30
Estes & Lauriatt. ".....	212 36
D. Lothrop & Co., ".....	870 56
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	\$2,151 23

LANDS & BUILDINGS.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$800.00.

James H. Kennedy, slating hall,.....	\$11 00
Bernard O'Kane, repair plastering.....	3 50
A. W. Willand & Co., painting.....	2 75
Geo. H. Demeritt, sundries,.....	3 49
Charles H. Lord, painting in Mayor's office.....	25 00
Geo. K. Willand, painting in hall,.....	11 38
Eugene Smart, keys,.....	3 95
D. D. Mahoney, kerosene oil for stove,...	2 80

Geo. H. Bradbury, brooms,.....	\$1 05
J. H. Seavey, 1 Yale lock,.....	1 40
Wm. F. Cody, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ days cleaning in hall,.....	11 87
James Gracy, 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ " " ".....	20 25
James Tolmay, 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ " " ".....	21 75
Thomas Tolmay 15 " " ".....	22 50
James McGroty, 15 " " ".....	22 50
2 brushes,.....	40
Emerson & Galligan, painting and setting glass Ward 4 House,.....	7 57
Langley & Wilson, carpenter work in Ward 4 House,	26 25
Joseph B. Quaid, p'd for cleaning and repairing Ward 5 House,.....	2 00
Thos. Morrissey, care of Ward 5 House.....	2 50
Henry Prendall, labor on door:.....	1 00
" " 1 Norton door spring,.....	5 50
Walter T. Perkins, labor and stock, gas and steam,...	19 55
Press Publishing Co., advertising,.....	2 00
M. D. Hill & Co., stock and labor in City Hall,....	32 63
" " " " Ward 4 House.	1 50
Moulton Cate & Co., lantern, basket, stage fender,...	4 40
" " 41 tin boxes for safe,.....	6 15
" " funnel, use of stove,	2 82
C. L. Jenness, hardware,.....	17 72
J. V. & D. E. Hanson, stock and labor,.....	15 00
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	\$312 28

GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION, \$3,600 00

EXTRA, 575 00

\$4,175 00

— Carragher, work on post,..... 1 75

Coleman & Cushing, oil,.....	\$6 73
P. Gorman, "	5 92
E. M. Swan, "	7 93
Geo. H. Bradbury, "	70
V. Mathes, "	1 05
J. L. Kimball, "	1 29
D. D. Mahoney, "	3 68
W. T. Perkins, stock and labor,.....	2 95
Alta Mfg. Co., care of light, chimney, &c.....	6 05
B. O'Kane, lighting lamp on Essex street 1 year,.....	5 00
D. Laughrin, lighting on South Pine street from Dec. 15 to May 15, '83, 3 on Pleasant street same time, 1 on Linden street same time,.....	12 50
P. Grimes, 1 cor. Payne and George streets, 8 months ending April 1, '83,.....	3 33
P. Grimes, 1 on George street, 3 months ending April 1, '83,.....	1 25
H. C. Glidden, 4 lamps from July 1, '82 to Jan. 1, '83.	10 00
H. C. Glidden, 4 lamps from Jan. 1, '83 to July 1, '83,	10 00
H. C. Glidden, 3 lamps from July 1, '83 to Jan. 1, '84,	7 50
J. W. Cassily, 2 lamps, April 1 to Sept. 1, '83,.....	4 60
Miles Buzzell, 1 lamp Aug. 8, '82, to Aug. 8, 83,.....	5 00
Owen Carruthers, labor,.....	1 50
Earnest Pray, 1 lamp Dec. 25, '82, to Dec. 25, '83....	5 00
John F. Shapleigh, 1 for current year,.....	5 00
Dover Foundry, 16 posts in 1882,.....	201 85
" " 13 " 1883,.....	161 87
Eugene Smart, making frame, Grove street,.....	2 00
" " R. R. station,.....	2 00
" " Dump,.....	2 00
" " Main street,.....	2 00
" " Smith's cor.,.....	2 00
" " Horton's store,.....	2 00
" " Tuttle square,.....	2 00
" " Waldron street,.....	2 00
" " Young street,.....	2 00

Eugene Smart, making frame, Washington street,.....	1 00
“ “ Depot,.....	1 00
“ “ Hurd street,.....	2 00
“ “ Spring and Locust,.....	2 00
“ “ Pleasant street.....	2 00
“ “ Court street,.....	2 00
“ “ Pleasant street,.....	2 00
“ “ Locust street.....	2 00
“ “ Fifth and Chestnut Sts.	2 00
M. D. Hill & Co., 10 copper lanterns,.....	70 00
“ “ stock and labor,.....	6 00
Moulton, Cate & Co., 5 copper lanterns,.....	35 00
“ “ stock and labor,.....	6 50
Wm. A. Morrill, chimneys and wicking,.....	11 85
Dover Electric Light and Power Co.,.....	383 25
Dover Gas Light Co., digging, pipe and labor.....	515 94
“ “ gas 115 lights 6 mos. at \$2000 a	
year for 126 posts,.....	912 75
Dover Gas Light Co., 11 lights Jan. 1 to March 10....	33 88
“ “ 1 post April 26 to June 30,.....	2 75
“ “ 7 posts May 20 to June 30,.....	12 36
“ “ City Hall, 6 months, 71,000, ft... 170 40	
“ “ S. F. Engine House, 32,400 ft.,... 77 76	
“ “ post cor. Orchard and Central,	
streets, 7,000 ft.,.....	16 80
“ “ 2 posts on Broadway all night,	
Jan. 1 to Apr. 14, 8000 ft.,.....	19 20
“ “ H. & L. 6 mos., 500 ft.,.....	1 20
“ “ 135 lights 6 months, at \$2000, a	
year for 126 posts,.....	1066 15
“ “ 4 lights from Aug. 1,.....	26 40
“ “ 2 “ “ Nov. 1,.....	5 28
“ “ 2 “ “ Dec. 1,.....	2 64
“ “ City Hall, 77,000 ft.,.....	184 80
“ “ S. F. Engine House, 35,100 ft... 84 24	
“ “ H. & L. House, 1000 ft.,.....	2 40

Dover Gas Light Co.. Public Library, 2,600 ft.....	6 24
	<u>\$4.160 24</u>

HEALTH.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$300.

C. A. Fairbanks, city physician.....	101 50
C. H. Hall, health officer 6 mos.....	78 00
G. M. Gray, posting notices.....	3 00
	<u>\$182 50</u>

SCHOOLS.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION, &c., \$20.451.00.

Frank Freeman, school agent.....	\$20,451.00
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FOURTH OF JULY.

Chas. H. Foss, chairman of Com.,.....	300 00
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CITY BONDS.

2 \$1000 due April 1, '83,.....	2,000 00
6 \$500 " " "	3,000 00
	<u>5000 00</u>

NOTES PAYABLE.

Blake Bros. & Co.....	5000 00
Pinkham & Carey,.....	5000 00

INTEREST.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION, \$11,328.00

Blake Bros. & Co.,.....	85 42
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Pinkham & Carey,.....	\$76 86
Coupons,.....	10,674 00
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	\$10,836 28

EVENING SCHOOL.

Valentine Mathes, fuel,.....	\$3 87
E. J. Lane & Co., stationery.....	1 62
M. Killoren, oil, wicking, matches, &c.,.....	3 80
W. A. Morrill, lamps,.....	4 30
John McGlone, trucking,.....	3 50
Frank H. Keenan, janitor,.....	29 00
M. D. Hill & Co., use of stove &c.,.....	4 31
Mary E. Townsend, teacher,.....	8 00
Jennie E. Peirce, ".....	60 00
Annie B. Townsend, ".....	60 00
Peter Burke, ".....	51 00
John Kivel, Principal,.....	180 00
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	\$409 40

PAUPER DEPARTMENT.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION, \$2,000.00.

E. M. Swan, overseer,.....	\$2,084 02
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SUPPORT OF PRISONERS.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$1,125 00.

County of Strafford,.....	\$1,032 65
State Industrial School,.....	33 00
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	\$1,065 65

PRINTING AND STATIONERY.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$650 00.

T. Carroll Hovey, paper, pens, ink, books, &c....	\$20 33
E. J. Lane & Co., " " " "	51 17
Thomas Groom & Co., blank books,.....	45 00
M. R. Warren, " "	4 50
Alex Isaacs, pens,.....	3 00
C. H. Horton, binding,... ..	5 00
Press Publishing Co., advertising, printing, &c.,.....	48 50
F. W. B. Printing Co.,.....	10 75
G. J. Foster & Co., advertising, printing, &c.,.....	124 25
Libbey & Co., advertising and city accounts, printing &c.....	222 55
Libbey & Scales. advertising. printing, &c.....	124 82
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	\$659 87

DOG TAX.

J. Y. McDuffee. 1 sheep killed by dogs.....	\$5 00
Henry Paul, 7 geese " "	14 00
D. F. Jenness, 1 sheep " "	5 00
Moses Meader, 1 " " "	5 00
Isaih Johnson, 2 " " "	
" " 1 " damaged,	13 00
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	\$42 00

CEMETERY.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$500 00
 225 00

 \$725 00

John F. Shapleigh, Supt., labor,....\$181 73

N. Mahoney, labor,.....	\$58 50
D. Mahoney, "	80 24
Job Flanders, "	24 00
Ira T. Jenkins	15 49
Thomas Agnew, "	7 50
John Gray, "	39 74
Chas. E. Joy, drawing—reservoir building,.....	5 00
R. R. Burnham, labor on "	37 09
Granite State Brick Co., brick for reservoir,.....	23 60
Foot & Snell, hardware, "	12 00
Langley & Willson, reservoir building,.....	173 00
John B. Richmond, painting reservoir building,.....	20 00
Moulton, Cate & Co., pump and stand for reservoir building,.....	7 00
Converse & Wood, cement for reservoir building,....	4 00
W. T. Perkins, pipe and labor, "	10 00
Steamer No. 2, filling reservoir twice,.....	36 00
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	\$731 89

BRIDGES.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION	\$3,750 00
EXTRA,	350 00
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	\$4,100 00

B. & M. Railroad, freight,.....	\$11 83
Wm. H. Peirce, payroll,.....	14 83
Eben F. Faxon, 59 hours of labor,.....	8 85
Thomas Wentworth, cutting ice,.....	35 33
Eben F. Faxon, " "	24 70
B. Collins, engineering.....	12 00
Freeman Babb, stone and labor for Watson bridge,	266 38
Wm. H. Pike, timber " " "	493 87
Stetson. Mosely & Co., hard pine,.....	98 84

Demeritt & Burnham, plank,.....	\$236 62
Hiram F. Snow, tarring Central street bridge,.....	134 50
Alden & Lessig, iron bridge,.....	2,460 00
John C. Pray, payroll on Whittier and Central street,	152 50
“ “ labor,.....	6 00
A. Fernald, payroll,.....	40 08
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	\$3,996 33

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE.

I. ANNUAL APPROPRIATION, \$1,200 00.

II. BILLS APPROVED BY COUNCILS.

Dr. P. A. Stackpole. return of 32 births,.....	\$8 00
Dr. H. R. Parker, “ 8 “ and deaths,..	2 00
Dr. T. J. W. Pray. “ 69 “ “ ..	17 25
Dr. M. C. Lathrop. “ 32 “ “ ..	8 00
Dr. J. W. Drake. “ 4 “ “ ..	1 00
Dr. J. G. Hayes. “ 4 “ “ ..	1 00
Dr. J. R. Ham, “ 17 “ “ ..	4 75
Drs. Smith & Chunberlin 29 “ “ ..	7 25
Dr. C. H. Horsch, “ 14 “ “ ..	3 50
Dr. L. G. Hill, “ 35 “ “ ..	8 75
Dr. C. A. Fairbanks. “ 14 “ “ ..	3 50
Dr. M. B. Sullivan. “ 48 “ “ ..	12 00
Dr. E. S. Berry, “ 28 “ “ ..	7 00
Dr. P. A. Stackpole, “ 59 “ “ ..	14 75
M. S. Hanscom, Inspector Ward 1, 1882.....	2 50
Thomas Groom & Co., blank book.....	1 75
“ “ “ 2 collector's books.....	5 00
Hollis, Macy & Co., 1 check book.....	11 50
S. H. Brownell, horse hire.....	3 00
Niles, Sloan and others, express, labor, &c.....	1 15
Frank P. Worthen, cleaning Council rooms.....	2 50
L. Grant, labor.....	50

S. S. Jewett, copy amendment to City Charter.....	\$6 00
S. F. Hurd, expense to and from Concord.....	5 55
P. McManus, oil.....	1 50
J. S. Hurd, ground rent Garrison Hill Engine House..	11 00
C. E. Bacon, care of clock.....	14 00
J. B. Stevens, Jr., paid office expenses.....	4 95
J. Varney, box rent and postage.....	21 41
C. W. Davis, team hire.....	20 50
William Cody, labor in City Hall, same being charged and collected.....	108 50
Freeman Davis, cleaning Mayor's office.....	10 97
Rand, Avery & Co., blanks.....	4 15
J. B. Stevens, Jr., preparing and reading proof of City accounts.....	50 00
Charles Butcher & Co., furniture polish.....	1 25
Wm. F. Nason, expense.....	1 50
Allen M. Howard, bounty on hawk.....	20
Whitehouse & Pinkham, brooms, matches, soda.....	3 45
E. J. Lane & Co., school books for indigent children...	32 08
H. C. Goodwin " " " " ...	22 96
Lothrop & Pinkham " " " " ...	11 30
T. Carroll Hovey, paper &c. for Council rooms.....	4 26
Carter, Dinsmore & Co., ink.....	1 40
J. W. Hartford, serving notices, &c.....	3 57
John S. Clark, sawdust.....	1 65
John S. Dame, service looking up evidence.....	10 00
Daniel Trefethen, watering trough.....	3 00
J. V. & D. E. Hanson.....	5 20
Samuel Stevens, services in Ward 1 house.....	3 50
J. A. Clough & Son, grain for hogs.....	9 25
M. R. Warren, blanks.....	1 15
Converse & Wood, cement.....	14 60
Wm. A. Morrill, sundries for hall.....	12 42
Niles & Co., Sansen, Cody, and others.....	4 95
Cochecho Aqueduct Association, water.....	296 05
Dover Landing " " " "	103 00

Dover Aqueduct Co., water,.....	\$68 50
Frank Freeman, office expense.....	2 95
James H. Davis, notices in Ward 1 case.....	6 60
“ “ Supervisor Jan. 9th election in Ward 1	12 00
Joseph E. Porter, “ “ “ “	15 00
Frank Haughey “ “ “	6 00
C. K. Hartford, 2½ days' labor.....	5 00
E. M. Jones, selectman Ward 4 for 1882.....	6 00
Jonas D. Townsend, selectman Ward 4 in 1882.....	6 00
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1883.....	6 00
Isaac L. Lucas, “ “ “ “	6 00
Frank Freeman, insurance on public buildings.....	112 00
D. H. Wendell, “ “ “	190 00
G. B. Prescott “ “ “	115 00
H. A. Redfield, “ “ “	120 00
C. A. Tufts, “ “ “	75 00
Geo. W. Benn, “ “ “	20 00
Geo. E. Varney, 2 ballot boxes for Ward 4.....	2 00
John H. Ingraham, inspector of elections Nov. 7 and 28, 1882, Ward 3.....	5 00
Emmon Bolo, Ward 1, inspector of elections Nov. 28, 1882, and Jan. 9, 1883.....	5 00
Oliver J. Clark, selectman Ward 2, April 1882, to April 1883.....	6 00
John S. Clark, opening Ward 2 Ward House twice and furnishing wood.....	6 00
Samuel Stevens, labor in Ward 1 Ward house.....	5 00
J. B. Stevens, Jr., recording and returning 323 births at 25 cents, 205 deaths at 25 cents, 132 marriages at 15 cents.....	151 80
C. H. Trickey & Co., 37 tons 1560 lbs. furnace coal....	255 78
Telephone Company, rent to Dec. 1.....	87 02
C. A. Fairbanks, medicine for city patients.....	4 25
R. Haley, grass seed for City Hall yard.....	25
H. R. Parker, return of 7 births and deaths.....	1 75
3 inspections.....	3 00

J. W. Drake, return of 5 births and deaths.....	\$1 25
1 inspection.....	1 00
M. B. Sullivan, return of 66 births and deaths.....	16 50
11 inspections.....	11 00
M. C. Lathrop, return of 34 births and deaths.....	8 50
3 inspections.....	3 00
C. A. Fairbanks, returning 8 births and deaths.....	2 00
1 inspection.....	1 00
Smith & Chamberlain, return of 20 births and deaths..	5 00
2 inspections.....	2 00
Foot & Snell, glue and brush.....	95
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	\$2,289 02

SPECIAL.

Wm. R. Brown, team hire.....	\$3 00
C. W. Davis, “ “	3 00
E. T. Trofitter, towels.....	1 90
Jameson and others, scrap paper, express, &c.....	6 15
Wm. F. Nason, expense.....	8 00
J. B. Stevens, Jr., office expense.....	7 50
Register of Deeds, copies of record.....	15 00
Register of Probate “ “	15 00
S. S. Jewett, copies of charter.....	4 00
Frank B. Stevens, notifying land owners.....	2 00
P. A. Stackpole, vaccination in 1882.....	66 37
Lothrop & Pinkham, books for indigent children.....	8 53
H. C. Goodwin, “ “ “	2 67
R. Press Association. advertising.....	2 00
Journal Newspaper “	10 00
Shoe & Leather Reporter “	21 00
R. M. Pulsifer & Co. “	108 00
Strafford Guards, gratuity.....	100 00
Sawyer Post. G. A. R., gratuity.....	150 00
Ralph Hough, rent of field.....	50 00

Henry Prendell, mayor's private office.....	\$171 11
Cooke, Redding & Co., mayor's private office.....	50 50
Charles E. Joy " " "	10 00
Walter T. Perkins " " "	16 01
F. N. Davis " " "	6 35
John C. Pray, messenger's " "	72 71
John R. Ham, examining Ashworth girl.....	5 00
Levi G. Hill, attending Court and examining Willand girl.....	10 00
C. A. Fairbanks, examining Ashworth girl.....	5 00
Niles and others, express and labor.....	1 80
M. C. Lathrop, witness in Head case.....	20 00
John McGlone, injury on Fayette street.....	25 00
Betsey Head, verdict.....	1,396 21
S. S. Jenkins, surveying in Head case.....	21 00
W. L. Foster, trial of Head case.....	175 00
Samuel Stevens, damage to lot.....	300 00
Bridget Durkin, damages to person.....	136 50
W. J. Copeland, trial of Henderson Case.....	50 00
John W. Towle, land damages, new road.....	200 00
Elizabeth J. Vittum " " "	300 00
Patrick Agnew " " " "	6 40
Isaac L. Lucas " " " "	97 74
Nathaniel Austin " " " "	44 20
Thomas Henderson " " "	6 26
Rufus Haley " Hurd street	46 20
Joseph S. Abbott, building road Sawyer's to Bellamy.....	3,317 25
S. S. Jenkins, surveying " " "	185 25
Robert A. Ray, Treas. of Pool assessment in Patent Valve case.....	3,191 61
Andrew T. Roberts, building road from Upper Neck School house to P. Agnew's.....	509 06
W. T. Perkins, work on steam piping.....	43 64
Burnham Hanson, witness fees.....	2 62
Francis Gray, " "	3 87
George K. Webster, " "	1 37

George W. Hayes, witness fees,	\$3 87
Geo. H. Pinkham, " "	3 87
Ella Ricker " "	1 37
Asa C. Tuttle, " "	2 86
Elisha R. Brown " "	2 60
Ralph Hough and others "	8 58
J. W. Hartford, sheriff fees	3 59
Geo. W. Colbath, sheriff "	23 69
Elwell, Pickard & Co., advertising.....	4 40
Geo. A. Webster, work in Messenger's room.....	8 93
S. S. Jenkins, plan of Silver Street sidewalk.....	6 00
survey of St. Thomas School lot.....	5 00
" Upper Neck road.....	112 25
John S. Hayes, selling St. Thomas School lot.....	12 00
Robert G. Pike, auditing police accounts.....	30 00
Wm. F. Nason, " " "	30 00
James H. Davis, sheriff fees.....	11 46
" " " " "	44 39
Edward Morrill, Mayor's chair and waste basket.....	9 50
W. P. Hayes, stock.....	6 30
R. Trefethen & Co., pipe for Upper Neck road.....	22 50
C. L. Jenness, wire to Spurlin and Tuttle.....	57 21
" Irwin, Bennett, Agnew.....	26 70
J. Herbert Seavey, "	16 26
Foot & Snell " Lucas and Austin.....	71 55
Robert G. Pike, taking evidence.....	8 00
N. Austin and others, witness fees.....	19 42
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POLICE-

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$5,550 00.

George S. Frost, Police Court Justice, December 24, 1882, to December 31, 1883.....	\$611 66
George T. Jordan, 2 days Assistant Marshal.....	3 60

John F. Varney, Night Watch.....	\$100 00
Martin Flaherty " "	500 00
John H. Otis " "	596 73
Samuel H. Dow " "	598 36
Charles Fenniker " "	600 00
Charles E. Stevens, Day Police.....	593 44
John Canney, Assistant Marshal.....	649 67
Reuben A. Libbey, Marshal.....	750 00
paid sundry bills.....	47 40
special police 4th of July.....	49 30
" " Agricultural Fair...	100 30
A. G. Whittenore, Clerk of Police Court.....	275 00
Fred Emerson, 10 days night watch.....	16 40
C. F. Ham, crackers, fish, &c.....	17 30
Whitehouse & Pinkham, crackers, fish, &c.....	29 69
Branch Store, " "	8 73
C. W. Davis, team hire.....	14 00
E. W. Wheelock & Co. buttons.....	4 15
Cumner, Jones & Co., "	9 38
E. J. Lane & Co., stationery.....	3 00
T. Carroll Hovey "	6 00
C. L. Jenness, hardware.....	80
M. D. Hill & Co., labor.....	85
Frank Corson, mason work.....	6 30
State Industrial School, board of prisoners.....	46 28
R. Haley & Co., 13,920 lbs. coal.....	48 72
Rebecca R. Plummer, half of fine in liquor case.....	25 00
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	\$5,712 06

REPAIRS OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION. \$2,200 00.

EXTRA " 372 00.

\$2,572 00

Isaac L. Lucas, bricks..... \$6 65

Betsey Austin, cleaning U. N. House.....	\$5 00
Wm. J. Lucas, labor.....	75
Wm. T. Page, "	3 00
B. T. Whitehouse, labor.....	1 00
B. & M. railroad, freight.....	79
Wm. M. Courser, building fence at Lower Neck....	3 00
Coleman & Cushing, sundries.....	13 95
C. F. Holland, stock and labor.....	39 00
Beede & Shaw, " "	98 87
John C. Pray, " "	99 78
M. D. Hill & Co., No. 9 Chilson Furnace for Wash- ington Street, 1882.....	235 00
Stock and labor.....	115 08
Moulton, Cate & Co., stock and labor, 1882.....	107 06
" "	493 03
George A. Webster, mason work.....	339 66
Aaron Roberts, " "	188 18
C. W. Tuttle, " "	11 75
Dearborn & Emery, carpenter work.....	225 02
J. G. Leathers, " "	188 59
A. Fernald, " "	15 98
George Brown, plan.....	20 00
J. V. & D. E. Hanson, stock and labor.....	20 03
Converse & Wood " "	2 45
Willand & Willand, painting.....	145 55
George H. Willand & Co., painting.....	3 00
Emerson & Galligan "	31 03
B. F. Rackley & Co., glass and putty.....	16 70
Charles H. Calkins, slating.....	31 04
J. H. Kennedy, "	8 00
A. G. Whitcomb, 6 No. 1 Desks.....	20 40
3 " 2 "	9 90
3 " 3 "	3 30
Dover Foundry, castings.....	10 97
George H. Smith, labor, self and hands.....	27 00
Samuel Mitchell, carriage hire.....	5 00

C. W. Davis, carriage hire,.....	\$1 50
Foot & Snell, hardware.....	5 91
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	\$2.552 92

CLEANING SCHOOL HOUSES.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$200.

Louis Sternwald, out house.....	\$1 50
Ann S. Cooke, Blackwater.....	3 00
A. L. Varney, Long Hill.....	3 00
J. B. Maxy, Littleworth.....	3 00
G. H. Smith, payroll.....	100 07
G. H. Patterson “	68 69
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	\$179 26

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$8,200 00

EXTRA “	200 00
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	\$8,400 00

J. S. Hurd, land rent, Garrison Hill,.....	\$12 00
Converse & Hobbs, stock and labor,.....	7 75
John W. Trefethen, paint, labor and paper S. F. E. House,	12 00
Dover Foundry, castings,.....	29 86
John H. Hartford, blacksmith work,.....	1 90
Hartford & Snell, “ “	17 20
Wm. Hanson, shovelling snow from reservoirs,.....	9 00
Peter McGaugh, “ “ “ “	9 00
J. S. Stackpole, 6 cherry wood boxes,.....	8 00

Whitehouse & Pinkham, sundries,.....	\$ 20
John Quinlan, 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ days labor,.....	7 87
C. W. Tuttle, labor,.....	1 75
L. Beach & Co., soap,.....	75
D. L. Drew, damage to fence, Hayes fire.....	5 00
Lustrales Mfg. Co., oil,.....	2 00
J. B. Folsom & Co., stock and labor,.....	75
J. H. Seavey, hardware,.....	1 00
C. L. Jenness, ".....	5 49
John Brown, oiling hose,	6 00
Edward Morrill, furniture,.....	16 00
C. A. Tufts, oil, polish, soap, &c.,.....	23 68
W. H. Vickery, " ".....	6 05
Geo. W. Cook, 4 Sundays,.....	7 00
Patrick Riley, cleaning reservoir,.....	20 60
J. T. W. Ham, 2 pair blankets,.....	27 00
H. A. Worthen, repairs.....	41 95
J. V. & D. E. Hanson, stock and labor,.....	12 53
Walworth Mfg. Co., supplies,.....	30 70
Drew & Carlton, repairs,.....	19 50
Moulton, Cate & Co., repairs,.....	15 11
Eugene Smart, ".....	6 00
M. D. Hill & Co., ".....	14 30
Thomas F. Drew, ".....	20 00
" " stock,.....	5 12
C. D. Vincent and others, pr strong harnesses,.....	80 65
" " stock and labor,.....	7 55
" " patent snaps. &c.....	12 30
Chas. E. Berry 2 pr. harness patents,.....	50 00
" " new collars.....	12 00
Coleman & Cushing, grain, &c.,.....	93 70
Valentine Mathes, fuel,.....	10 99
John S. Clark, ".....	17 25
R. Haley & Co., ".....	35 12
I. B. Williams & Sons, repairing hose,.....	20 44
" " steam gong	100 00

Manchester Locomotive Works, repairs,.....	\$177 96
James Boston, "	129 50
A. W. Willand, painting S. F. E. House and H. & L. House,.....	329 16
Wm. A. Morrill, sundries for Hall,.....	7 41
B. F. Rackley, 4 gallons sperm oil,	6 40
Joseph S. Abbott, stock and labor,.....	43 17
Walter T. Perkins, " "	30 20
A. Fernald, " "	164 08
J. S. Stackpole, " "	47 06
Cocheco Mfg Co., stock and labor on bulkhead,.....	314 26
Telephone Co., 11 call bells, wire, 1 large bell on Engine House, setting poles and rent,.....	429 75
James A. Thompson, steward S. F. E. House, Dec. 1 '82, to Dec. 1, '83,.....	675 25
Board of Engineers,.....	377 63
Steamer No. 1. payrolls,.....	436 70
" 2. "	946 61
" 3. "	863 15
Cocheco Hose Co., "	1446 94
Hook & Ladder Co. "	1030 00
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	\$8.614 04

SIDEWALKS.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$2,500 00.

Converse & Wood, cement,.....	\$22 55
J. V. & D. E. Hanson, stock and labor,.....	54 08
J. S. Abbott, stone,.....	168 10
Granite State Brick Co., brick,.....	638 60
S. F. Hurd. payroll,.....	1268 05
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	\$2151 38

SEWERS.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$1,000 00.

J. V. & D. E. Hanson, stock and labor,.....	\$1 89
J. S. Abbott, labor,.....	36 20
Granite State Brick Co.,	33 00
A. H. Lowell, 18 traps,.....	80 64
Converse & Wood, cement,.....	31 75
R. Trefethen & Co., “ pipe,.....	423 51
S. F. Hurd, payrolls,	290 85
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	\$897 84

HIGHWAYS.

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION \$12,500 00.

John McGlone, 1 set of Shaves.....	\$4 50
I. B. Williams & Sons, belting.....	9 15
David H. Evans, bedding.....	33 27
A. B. Tallant, “	47 91
J. H. Burleigh & Son, blacksmith work	83 90
John H. Hartford,, “ “	5 00
Hartford & Snell, “ “	47 69
John B. Hull, “ “	42 09
James Boston, “ “	63 30
Dover Foundry, castings.....	44 39
J. A. Clough & Son, grain.....	291 70
D. Foss & Son, “	282 30
Blake Crusher Co., castings.....	105 00
J. Frank Seavey, 2 pigs.....	16 00
J. V. & D. E. Hanson, stock and labor.....	21 88
B. & M. Railroad, freight.....	14 87
Walter T. Perkins, work on Crusher.....	9 47
M. D. Hill & Co., “ “ “	2 70

L. Beach Jr. & Co., soap.....	\$6 60
Wm. H. Vickery, horse medicine, &c.....	14 19
Wm. H. Pike, stock,	5 75
Converse & Hobbs, stock.....	2 66
Whitehouse & Pinkham, salt, oil, &c.....	9 84
Andrew H. Brown, 51 loads gravel.....	7 65
Robert Cristy, 407 " "	67 83
Henry Tasker, 64 " "	8 00
J. S. Hurd, 65 " "	9 75
Henry Law, repairs harnesses.....	47 48
J. B. Folsom, stock and labor.....	5 38
Wm. A. Morrill, sundries.....	24
H. A. Worthen, sundry repairs.....	22 70
C. H. Trickey & Co., 2 tons of coal	14 00
C. L. Jenness, hardware.....	38 37
J. Herbert Seavey, hardware.....	36 48
Foot & Snell, "	116 39
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	\$1,538 43

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Samuel F. Hurd, payrolls.....	\$7,618 12
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DISTRICT NO. 4.

M. S. Hussey.....	\$29 70
J. Wentworth.....	10 05
J. A. Hussey.....	3 30
J. S. Hussey.....	28 72
Emmon Bolo.....	75
Fred Henderson.....	8 70
William Page.....	45 90
William Babb.....	12 75

Freeman Babb.....	\$38 25
George W. Page.....	27 00
Frank H. Henderson.....	4 50
I. G. Hall, 62 loads clay.....	9 30
Dennis Bank, 10 loads sand.....	1 00
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	\$219 92

DISTRICT NO. 5.

George W. Page.....	\$43 50
Levi Furbush.....	14 55
L. L. Furbush.....	10 05
Frank Page.....	3 15
James Burnham.....	2 85
George W. Page.....	1 50
John Seaver.....	2 25
Cyrus P. Smith.....	90
George Hanson.....	2 10
B. K. Hussey.....	75
W. T. Page.....	1 50
Harry Page.....	1 20
F. H. Henderson.....	6 90
George Hussey.....	30
George W. Buzzell.....	6 00
John Miller.....	1 50
Hiram Hanson.....	1 20
Daniel Gage.....	9 75
Frank Perkins.....	3 00
Hiram Hanson.....	3 75
Walter F. Gage.....	21 55
Frank Henderson.....	4 50
Benjamin Hussey.....	3 75
John S. Hussey.....	11 25
I. G. Hall, 23 loads clay.....	3 45

Charles Hussey.....	\$2 25
4 loads paving stone.....	8 00
Posts, railing and nails.....	2 21
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	\$173 66

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Hiram Corson.....	\$10 50
H. H. Corson.....	7 50
Leonard Corson.....	3 00
George W. Varney.....	9 75
John Varney.....	75
Harry Cooke.....	1 50
Daniel Gage.....	6 75
John Hanson.....	75
Elias C. Varney.....	75
John W. Varney.....	75
Gravel.....	3 00
James F. Horne.....	14 90
E. C. Varney.....	18 60
John Varney.....	3 00
Daniel Gage.....	12 90
Hiram Corson.....	7 87
Leonard Corson.....	3 00
John Hanson.....	3 00
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	\$108 27

DISTRICT NO. 7.

George S. Meader.....	\$31 05
George I. Jenness.....	7 05
Moses Meader.....	7 95
Stephen Wentworth.....	9 45

J. H. Leighton.....	\$11 25
Wm. Johnson.....	1 50
D. A. Johnson.....	1 50
J. M. Hayes.....	7 50
John H. Leighton.....	18 75
Dana Hodsdon, gravel.....	4 15
Isaiah Johnson.....	7 50
Dennis Johnson.....	6 75
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	\$114 40

DISTRICT NO. 8.

W. B. Sterling.....	\$2 40
A. J. ".....	1 05
2 horses.....	2 10
W. B. Sterling.....	75
A. J. ".....	75
2 horses.....	1 50
W. B. Sterling.....	75
A. J. ".....	75
2 horses.....	1 50
W. B. Sterling.....	45
A. J. ".....	45
2 horses.....	90
W. B. Sterling.....	75
A. J. ".....	75
2 horses.....	1 50
W. B. Sterling.....	45
A. J. ".....	45
2 horses.....	90
F. Hussey.....	30
4 oxen.....	1 20
W. B. Sterling.....	60
F. Hussey.....	30

4 oxen.....	\$1 20
W. B. Sterling.....	75
F. Hussey.....	60
4 oxen.....	2 40
W. B. Sterling.....	30
“ “	75
F. Hussey.....	60
4 oxen.....	2 40
Charles O. Baker, surveyor.....	30 25
S. H. Baker.....	9 75
C. W. Kimball.....	8 55
A. J. Sterling.....	5 55
Ivory Littlefield.....	1 95
Asa S. Baker.....	15 45
Charles Berry.....	75
Samuel Fiske.....	4 35
Nathaniel Horne.....	5 00
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	\$111 15

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Charles Mitchell.....	\$15 15
J. Y. McDuffee.....	7 95
George D. McDuffee.....	4 65
Charles Parks.....	3 45
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	\$31 20

DISTRICT NO. 10.

William T. Wentworth.....	\$16 80
Eli Page.....	44 55
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	\$61 35

DISTRICT NO. 11.

John Roberts, Surveyor.....	\$21 45
Charles Thompson.....	7 05
Charles Tarr.....	4 65
C. S. Roberts.....	10 50
George Huckins.....	10 65
J. W. Clements.....	11 10
Henry Pinkham.....	2 85
J. H. Henderson.....	\$2 40
George Pinkham.....	16 80
G. Gage.....	1 20
W. Clements.....	3 15
T. H. Henderson.....	11 55
J. Drew.....	1 20
F. Coleman.....	1 50
— Coleman.....	1 20
— Cochran.....	75
C. Morang.....	1 35
R. Pinkham.....	1 20
C. H. Morang.....	26 40
Henry Pinkham.....	1 50
George Card.....	4 65
J. F. Pinkham.....	9 60
G. W. Ford.....	4 50
G. R. Pinkham.....	9 45
C. S. Roberts.....	3 00
J. W. Clements.....	16 50
Charles Roberts.....	2 25
J. C. Coleman.....	3 00
Israel Cousins.....	17 70
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\$209 10	

DISTRICT NO. 12.

Joseph Cushing.....	\$62 10
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I. Varney.....	\$2 25
Daniel Drew.....	22 95
Moses Varney.....	3 75
J. Wingate.....	6 30
Warren Foss.....	2 10
Charles Cushing.....	19 05
Fred. Austin.....	9 00
Willie Wallace.....	7 05
F. Malonzo.....	2 40
Charles Twombly.....	9 00
James O'Neil.....	4 33
Charles Twombly, Jr.....	80
George Twombly.....	2 40
80 loads clay.....	12 00
Bert Twombly.....	1 50
12 Railroad Ties.....	96
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	\$167 94

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Nathaniel Austin.....	\$44 71
Al Austin.....	19 50
Ervin Austin.....	1 80
W. P. Tuttle.....	25 95
George Tuttle.....	2 10
E. V. Tuttle.....	9 30
William Wallace.....	75
Frank Varney.....	11 40
Alphonso Austin.....	11 25
Edward Austin.....	7 20
— Clark.....	5 55
C. Tarr.....	6 00
C. S. Roberts.....	6 00
Frank Varney.....	50

Eubert Reynolds.....	\$5 25
Charles Cushing.....	4 05
Stephen Austin.....	4 05
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	\$165 36

DISTRICT NO. 14.

A. T. Roberts, Surveyor.....	\$7 65
Thomas J. Spurling.....	30
Nathaniel Horne.....	10 80
Isaac L. Lucas.....	1 80
C. H. Roberts.....	1 05
E. T. Hanson, Surveyor.....	14 70
Frank Brownell.....	18 00
I. L. Lucas.....	18 00
E. Austin.....	75
W. Sanborn.....	3 00
M. Lackerson.....	5 25
E. Mayberry.....	90
J. Carroll.....	6 00
Nathaniel Austin, gravel.....	3 40
A. T. Roberts ".....	37 60
A. I. Austin.....	2 25
A. T. Roberts, Surveyor.....	15 20
Warren Foye.....	3 00
Andrew Minneter.....	2 25
Tom ".....	2 25
Frank Durrell.....	12 25
Alphonso Austin.....	1 50
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	\$167 90

DISTRICT NO. 15.

John H. Watson.....	\$88 50
Barney Hughes.....	75

Thomas O'Brien.....	\$ 75
John Drew.....	75
Ed. McKone.....	2 25
S. T. Hanson.....	9 75
John Thibeault.....	9 75
P. McMullen.....	15 75
Henry Hamilton.....	7 50
Frank Cassily.....	1 50
Thomas Agnew.....	3 00
Patrick Riley.....	2 25
Samuel Brackett.....	1 50
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	\$144 00

DISTRICT NO. 16.

John T. G. Tuttle.....	\$28 37
Greenleaf Nute.....	23 70
Samual T. Dunn.....	32 92
Ham Foss.....	2 55
Richard H. Tuttle.....	1 95
Edgar Meserve.....	7 95
Ed. E. Tuttle.....	2 62
Green Nute.....	4 72
Charles P. Edgerly.....	15 90
James W. Meserve.....	1 20
George W. Hodgdon.....	67
Richard H. Tuttle.....	1 12
Samuel Prescott.....	1 20
Frank Prescott.....	5 25
Washington French.....	3 75
Thomas Twombly.....	11 25
Jacob Gowen.....	3 75
John Jordan.....	6 75
Bert. Tuttle.....	4 50
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	\$160 12

DISTRICT NO. 17.

James Cassily.....	\$7 28
Charles "	1 20
Albert Austin.....	5 03
J. W. Austin.....	53
Thomas Twombly.....	9 00
Thomas Nute.....	9 00
Joseph Peaslee.....	5 10
Jacob Gowen.....	1 65
Daniel Twombly.....	10 35
James Meserve.....	1 65
W. J. Wadleigh.....	45
Edward Hackett.....	5 18
J. E. Peaslee.....	54 25
E. Hackett.....	5 10
A. Austin.....	17 85
J. "	6 45
Thomas Twombly.....	31 50
J. Gowen.....	10 50
J. Meserve.....	9 00
George Hackett.....	10 95
Daniel Twombly.....	4 50
Andrew Meserve.....	4 50
F. Meserve.....	3 00
Thomas Nute.....	11 25
G. Meserve.....	6 00
W. Wadleigh.....	1 27
E. Wadleigh.....	2 54
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	\$235 08

DISTRICT NO. 18.

William Hooper, Surveyor.....	\$101 43
Andrew Torr.....	11 55

John Torr.....	\$34 05
M. C. Lord	10 80
S. J. Torr.....	20 05
J. B. Towle.....	75
Lyman Lougee.....	20 25
A. Torr.....	21 60
A. Meserve.....	11 25
F. Meserve.....	6 00
J. Hooper	6 75
J. Poyan	3 75
C. Gerrish	2 75
James Ryan	4 50
Edward Towle.....	75
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	\$256 23

DISTRICT NO. 19.

Wm. H. Peirce	\$39 30
Wm. Twombly.....	22 95
Wm. H. Twombly.....	6 15
Wm. Davis.....	27 15
Reuben Davis	8 10
Frank Davis.....	8 10
James D. Hayes.....	17 70
O. K. Hayes.....	5 25
A. F. R. Elliott.....	3 30
H. P. Elliot	2 25
Austin Randall	3 75
Frank Lord	75
David S. Hanson	15 00
Reuben Twombly	3 75
Elma Hanaford	3 75
Holmes B. Rounds.....	3 75
B. Aldrich	2 25
S. J. Torr.....	6 96

Ivory Kelley.....	\$4 08
Geo. E. Elliott.....	1 95
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	\$186 24

DISTRICT NO. 20.

John H. Kelley, Surveyor.....	\$42 00
Wm. M. Freebay	14 40
Horace Wallace.....	1 20
Charles Willey.....	1 20
Nat. Nutter.....	2 10
James C. Kelley	15 75
Edward York.....	13 95
Charles Cate	13 95
Jacob Young	15 30
Joel B. Maxey.....	4 20
Leonard Hall.....	2 55
Jeremiah York.....	10 35
J. Norton.....	8 70
C. Willey	2 70
A. Berry.....	1 50
J. C. Page.....	8 10
E. J. York.....	19 95
S. C. Hayes	15 00
F. Hayes	5 25
C. E. Cate.....	13 50
Young Brothers.....	18 00
L. Hall.....	6 00
N. Nutter.....	3 75
C. Miles.....	3 75
J. Maxey.....	4 50
F. Young.....	50
Robert Cristie, 110 loads of gravel.....	20 00
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	\$568 15

DISTRICT NO. 21.

John F. Winkley.....	\$26 10
Joseph Winkley	14 85
Cornelius ——	12 90
Joseph Delaney.....	9 45
Albert Sargent.....	14 85
Aaron A. Palmer.....	4 05
Nathaniel Crockett.....	1 50
Horace Kimball.....	12 90
George Goodwin.....	75
Aaron S. Palmer.....	4 80
Wm. B. Locke.....	3 75
Nathaniel Eaton.....	5 25
Edward Ellison	3 00
Samuel Sargent.....	3 00
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	\$117 15

DISTRICT NO. 22.

Eben F. Faxon.....	\$50 85
Joshua M. Ham.....	30 60
John Cram.....	25 05
William Allen.....	16 50
Patrick Cassily.....	30 60
Edwin Garland.....	7 95
Alonzo Horne.....	2 85
M. V. B. Drew.....	1 03
George Wentworth	4 65
Joshua Watson.....	75
Aaron W. Drew.....	1 20
Hiram Thayer	11 55
Francis Cassily.....	3 30
Joseph Jacobs	1 90
Charles Watson	6 60

Ichabod Horne	\$3 00
A. Fernald.....	5 50
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	\$203 88

DISTRICT NO. 23.

Orrin E. Nason.....	\$6 45
Clarence Roberts.....	90
Thomas Miniters.....	1 20
Andrew Miniters.....	1 20
Fred B. Gage.....	1 20
Charles Roberts.....	1 80
Willie D. Gage.	45
John M. Gage.....	2 85
Dennis McNally.....	1 20
Felix De Clos.....	1 20
David H. Gage.....	90
I. L. Lucas.....	3 00
Mrs. A. Varney	1 35
Nathaniel Horne.....	1 35
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	\$25 05

DISTRICT NO. 24.

H. G. McDuffee.....	\$44 00
George Danforth.....	9 00
Joseph Place.....	13 50
William Cate.....	6 45
Henry Paul	1 80
Fred Davis.....	2 25
Dana McDuffee.....	17 70
Ben Smith.....	32 70
James McDuffee.....	7 50

Frank Bryant.....	\$2 25
E. Wentworth	1 50
L. Connor.....	4 80
J. Randall	1 50
Dana Barnes	1 50
Frank Brown.....	12 00
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	\$158 45

Total Expense Highways,.....\$12 440 45

1884.

APPROPRIATIONS.

Highways,.....	\$12 500 00
Public Buildings,—[and receipts, not to exceed \$500, in all]	100 00
Sewers	1,500 00
Police Department,—[and receipts, not to exceed \$5,550, in all],.....	4,000 00
Interest.....	10,600 00
Sidewalks.....	2,500 00
Schools, [in excess].....	3,552 37
[R. R. Tax \$659.]	
To replace books lost by fire.....	47 63
Fire Department.....	8,000 00
Miscellaneous.....	2,500 00
Salaries.....	3,540 90
Lamps and Lamp Posts.....	4,000 00
Repairs of School Houses.....	1,600 00
Support of Prisoners.....	1,125 00
Cleaning School Houses.....	200 00

Pauper Department.....	1,500 00
Health “.....	300 00
Cemetery.....	500 00
Bridges.....	500 00
Printing and Stationery.....	650 00
Special.....	7,000 00
Public Library.....	2,200 00
Evening School.....	450 00
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	\$68,865 00

SEC. 2.—And that the above sum be collected in money by the Collector of Taxes.

State Tax,	-	-	-	\$18,700 00
County Tax,	-	-	-	21,480 43
Schools, [by law,]	-	-	-	16,362 50
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				\$125,407 93

HIGHWAY DISTRICTS.

ESTABLISHED BY CITY COUNCILS, MARCH 20, 1865.

Resolved—I. That Highway District No. One be extended to the junction of Back River and Durham roads.

II. That Highway Districts Nos. Two and Three be added to and included in Highway District No. One.

III. That Highway District No. Twenty-two be extended to the large Elm tree east of E. Faxon's house.

IV. That so much of Highway District No. Twenty-three as runs from Rebecca Pinkham's gate to the turn of the road near Andrew T. Roberts' dwelling house, be disannexed from said District No. Twenty-three, and annexed to and made part of Highway District No. Fourteen; and so much as runs from the turn of the road near the dwelling-house of Samuel H. Hanson to Nathaniel Carlton's dwelling-house, be disannexed from said District No. Fourteen, and annexed to and made part of Highway District No. Twenty-three.

V. As established September 19, 1872. That so much of Highway District No. Eight, as lies between the junction of Sixth and Grove streets and the westerly end of the brick house, owned by John B. Hull, be disannexed from the said District No. Eight, and added to and made part of Highway Districts Nos. One, Two and Three.

VI. As established March 13, 1883. That Highway District No. One be extended down the Dover Point road as far as the lane leading to the Sawyer lower mill.

DISTRICT No. 1—Shall embrace all the streets, lanes and alleys in the compact part of the city, also Locust (formerly High) street to its head. Arch Street, Silver, on Littleworth road to dwelling-house of Eleazer Davis, Washington street to its junction with Arch, Fourth to its junction with Tolend road, Brick street to its junction with Grove street, Franklin street to its junction with Chestnut street at the house of Capt. Porter, the Rollins road to its junction with Fresh Creek road, the Turnpike to Rollinsford line, Rogers street to the Gulf road west of Cushing's Mills, Payne street to the culvert beyond Platt's Hill. Mt. Pleasant to cross road to Neck road near James Caton's house, Pleasant street to John Meserve's house and to head of Locust street.

DISTRICT No. 2—Shall begin at Cushing's Mills, thence to James McDuffee's gate, the old road by Capt. James B. Guppy's to Fresh Creek road, and Fresh Creek road east to the Rollins road to Rollinsford line.

DISTRICT No. 3—Shall begin on Franklin street at the house of Capt. Porter, near the corner of Chestnut street, thence to the house of Levi Sawyer on Garrison Hill, including the Fresh Creek road, west of the Rollins road.

DISTRICT No. 4—Shall begin at the house of Levi Sawyer on Garrison Hill, thence to Gage's Hill and to the junction of Rochester and Great Falls road, by Mr. Haley's house to Rollinsford line, and George Page's house to Thomsa Currier's.

DISTRICT No. 5—Shall begin at Somersworth line near

Henderson's house, thence down to Gage's Hill by both roads and to the junction of the Rochester and Great Falls road to Somersworth line.

DISTRICT No. 6—Shall begin at Somersworth line on Blackwater road, thence to the Rochester and Somersworth lines.

DISTRICT No. 7—Shall begin at Reyner's brook, south of David Sargent's house, thence by said Sargent's house to Rochester line; also the road leading by the school-house to the railroad crossing, and the road to Moses Farnham's.

DISTRICT No. 8—Shall begin at the junction of Grove and Brick streets, thence by the house of Ezra Kimball to Indian brook; also the road by Richard Kimball's house to the house of Mr. Fuller, thence to the railroad crossing near the Whittier bridge; also the Upper Factory road, from the school-house to the south side of the bridge.

DISTRICT No. 9—Shall begin at Indian brook, near the house of Oliver S. Horne, thence by the house of Joseph W. Bennett to the railroad crossing on the cross road, and to the railroad crossing near the Almshouse, and by the house of Paul Horne to the house of Moses Farnham.

DISTRICT No. 10—Shall begin at the railroad crossing near the Almshouse, thence by the house of Timothy H. Snell to Rochester line, the road leading to John Trickey's farm, and the cross road by the house of Horace Kimball to the railroad crossing.

DISTRICT No. 11—Shall begin at Dover Point, thence to the junction of the roads near the house of the late Jeremy Roberts.

DISTRICT No. 12—Shall begin at John Meserve's house, thence to the bridge below Stephen Austin's house.

DISTRICT No. 13—Shall begin at the junction of the roads

near the house of the late Jeremy Roberts, thence to the red school-house, and main road to and across the bridge below Stephen Austin's house, with all the cross roads.

DISTRICT No. 14—Shall begin at Amaziah Brownell's house, thence by the house of Nicholas Varney to Nathaniel Carlton's house and the Cowan road.

DISTRICT No. 15—Shall begin at the culvert at Platt's hill, thence by Samuel Hanson's 2d, to the old road and the Amos Burrows road.

DISTRICT No. 16—Shall begin at the house of James Wentworth, thence to Spruce Lane, the David and Samuel Tuttle roads, the new road to Reynolds' bridge, and the road to Madbury line.

DISTRICT No. 17—Shall begin at the head of Locust street, thence to Spruce Lane, the Mast road to Reynolds' bridge, the Drew and Spruce Lanes.

DISTRICT No. 18—Shall begin at the Madbury line, thence by Simon J. Torr's house to Dunn's bridge, the Mast road to Reynolds' bridge, and the Pudding Hill to Madbury line.

DISTRICT No. 19—Shall begin at the house of Joshua Trickey, thence by the house of William Twombly to Madbury line, and from said road by Richardson's Mill to the Durham road, and thence from said road to the farm of Joseph Bailey, and from said road to the Hanson shop (so-called).

DISTRICT No. 20—Shall begin at the house of Robert Cristie, thence to Madbury line by J. Cook's house, and to Madbury line by the house of J. F. Kelley, thence on cross road to the house of Wm. W. Wiggin, and on cross road by the house of Joseph Bailey to the farm of O. K. Hayes.

DISTRICT No. 21—Shall begin at the junction of the roads near the house lately owned by H. G. Otis, thence by the house

of Ephraim Ham to Ebenezer Faxon's blacksmith shop, and both cross roads leading from said road across the Whittier bridge to the railroad crossing; also the cross road to Wm. W. Wiggin's, and the cross road to the Upper Factory bridge.

DISTRICT No. 22—Shall begin at Ebenezer Faxon's blacksmith shop, thence by the house of J. Frank Brawn to Barrington line, the road to Rochester line, the road to Madbury line, and cross road over the Watson bridge to the railroad crossing.

DISTRICT No. 23—Shall begin at the junction of the roads near the house of Andrew T. Roberts, thence by Ivory Paul's house to the junction of the roads near Samuel H. Hanson's house, and the cross road to Mrs. Pinkham's.

DISTRICT No. 24—Shall begin at the Eliot Bridge, thence over the new and old road to the brook by Stevens & Wiggin's glue-works; the cross road to Portland street, and the Creek road to Rollinsford line.

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PARTICULAR NOTICE

TO PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, }
City of Dover, March 20, 1884. }

Persons having claims against the City should carefully note the name of the individual who orders the article or service, and should inquire to what department the charge should be made.

When there are charges belonging to different departments, separate bills must be made, including only charges belonging to each department. What these are may be readily seen by reference to the foregoing accounts.

Unless this is done, the claimant will be put to the trouble of making out his accounts the second time.

The claimant should then have the bill approved by the person who authorized the charge, and then presented to the City Clerk.

All bills thus prepared and delivered to the Clerk at any time *during* the month, will be laid before the Committee on Accounts at their next meeting, which is on the first Tuesday of each month, at 7½ P. M. Bills not thus prepared and delivered, will lie over one month.

JOHN B. STEVENS, JR., CITY CLERK.